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LMC, SMC join free college program for frontline workers

By HP STAFF

Lake Michigan College and Southwestern Michigan College announced this week that they will both participate in a new state program that gives frontline pandemic workers in Michigan an opportunity to attend college for free.

The Futures for Frontliners program, announced by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer on Thursday, offers free tuition to residents who worked in essential industries during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic shutdown but don't have college degrees. It covers the cost of associate degrees, certificates and high school equivalency exams.

The program is a $24 million investment funded by Governor's Education Emergency Relief Fund, which is part of the federal CARES Act.

"This is a terrific opportunity for current and former LMC students who haven't yet completed their degrees. Many of them worked during the state shutdown, putting their health on the line to keep our community going. They're heroes and deserve every chance to pursue their dreams," LMC President Trevor Kubatzke said in a news release.

The program aims to increase the number of skilled workers in the state and help essential workers earn higher wages.

"I think this will help people raise their earning ability," said SMC President Dr. Joe Odenwald in a news release. "For example, in our district a person with an associate degree or certificate earns a median wage of over $30,000 after a year, while a high school graduate earns a median wage of $14,000. After five years the gap widens even more."

To take advantage of the program, frontline workers needed to have worked at least half-time in 11 of 13 weeks from April 1 through June 30. This includes employees who staffed grocery stores and

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Photos by Don Campbell / HP staff

Sharon Brown of Benton Harbor, left and Lisa Hubbs of St. Joseph are among those working to update the Building Bridges with the Arts sign located at the Bicentennial Bridge connecting Benton Harbor and St. Joseph. Both women are very involved with a St. Joseph city effort to address race-related issues in the Twin Cities.

In pursuit of justice and equality

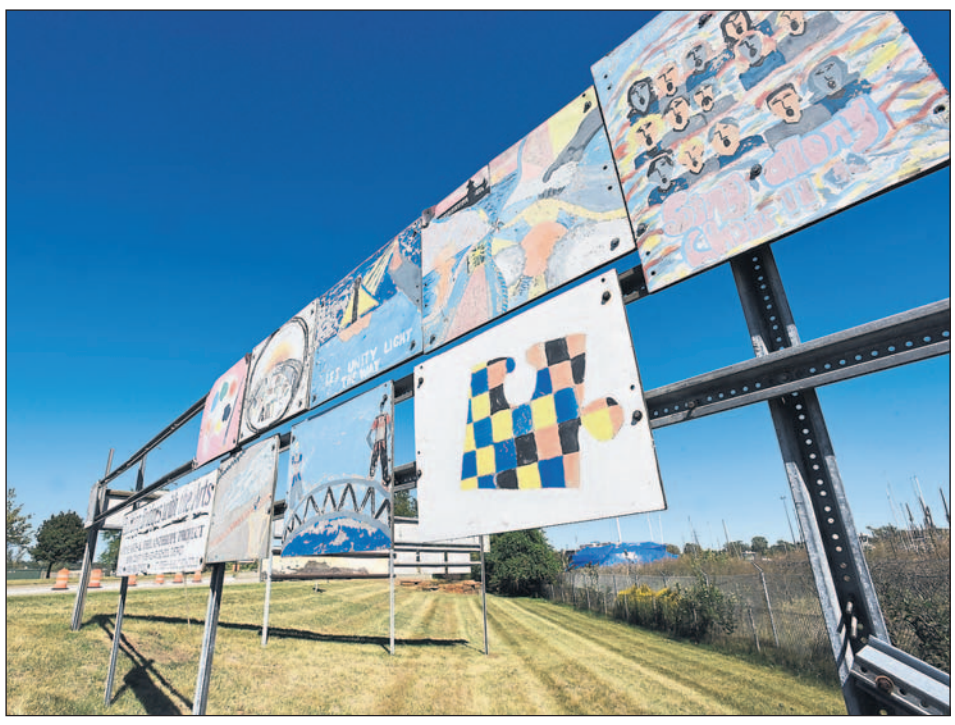
SJ city leaders, with citizen involvement, are trying to turn rhetoric into action

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — It's been three months since the St. Joseph City Commission issued a statement calling for an end to systemic racism, and vowed to do its part to work for social justice and equality for all men, women and children.

One of the results is several citizens have joined the effort by joining focus groups that are led by city commissioners. The city commission has held special meetings by Zoom every other Monday, and now the focus groups have begun meeting on their own, gathering ideas and ironing out details of new initiatives they hope will help lead to social justice and better community relations.

"I really am proud of our community," said St. Joseph Mayor Mike Garey. "Beginning with the march in June to the city's response from our official statement issued June 8, I really credit the commissioners for taking this on. We need to look at ourselves first."



Local Benton Harbor and St. Joseph residents are hoping to refurbish the Building Bridges with the Arts sign located at the Bicentennial Bridge – which is both a symbolic and actual span that both separates and links the cities of Benton Harbor and St. Joseph.

Garey and Commissioner Lynn Todman are leading the History/Education Focus Group. The other two focus groups are Public Safety, led by Commissioner Laura Goos; and Arts & Culture, led by Commissioner Peggy Getty.

Garey said that as he and Todman study the history of racial inequality, they realize that many of the inequalities date back to legislation and policies enacted decades ago and have affected generations of Black people.

For example, the original Fair Housing Act excluded Blacks, who then missed out on being able to pass houses to future generations so they could accumulate wealth.

"We strongly feel that learning this history will benefit our relations. The

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Social justice initiatives underway

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — Here are some of the events and initiatives the Social Justice Focus Groups formed by the St. Joseph City Commission are working on:

Public Safety

- Review of policies and procedures in the St. Joseph Department of Public Safety.
- Documenting and reviewing the demographics of who is being pulled over by police, and why.
- Recruitment of minority police officers.
- Getting police officers out of their patrol cars and talking to people.
- Possible creation of cadet and/or internship programs for young people.
- Work to get a mental health professional available to police responding to crisis situations.

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Daily U.S. virus deaths decline, but trend may reverse in fall

By CARLA K. JOHNSON and NICKY FORSTER
Associated Press

The number of daily U.S. deaths from the coronavirus is declining again after peaking in early August, but scientists warn that a new bout with the disease this fall could claim more lives.

The arrival of cooler weather and the likelihood of more indoor gatherings will add to the importance of everyday safety precautions, experts say.

"We have to change the way we live until we have a vaccine," said Ali Mokdad, professor of health metrics sciences at the University of Washington in Seattle. In other words: Wear a mask. Stay home. Wash your hands.

The U.S. has seen two distinct peaks in daily deaths. The nation's summertime surge crested at about half the size of the first deadly wave in April.

Deaths first peaked on April 24 at an average of 2,240 each day as the disease romped through the dense cities of the Northeast. Then, over the summer, outbreaks in Texas, California and Florida drove daily deaths to a second peak of 1,138 on Aug. 1.

Some states – Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Nevada and California – suffered more deaths during the summer wave than during their first milder run-in with the virus in the spring. Others – Michigan, Pennsylvania, Maryland and Colorado – definitely saw two spikes in infections but suffered fewer deaths the second time around.

Now about 700 Americans are dying of the virus each day. That's down about 25 percent from two weeks ago but still not low enough to match the early July low of about 500 daily deaths, according to an Associated Press analysis of data compiled by Johns Hopkins University.

The number of people being treated for COVID-19 in hospitals in the summertime hot spots of Florida and Texas has been on a steady downward trend since July.

In Florida, the number of COVID-19 patients Thursday morning was less than 3,000 after peaking at more than 9,500 on July 23. Two weeks later, the state reached its highest seven-day average in daily reported deaths.

In Texas, about 3,500 people were hospitalized with COVID-19 on Thursday, a measure that's been improving since peaking July 22 at 10,893.

Worryingly, a dozen states are bucking the national downward trend. Iowa, North Carolina, West Virginia and Kansas are among states still seeing increases in daily deaths, although none is anywhere near the death rates seen in the spring in the Northeast. Back then, the virus caught New York off guard and claimed 1,000 lives per day in that state alone, or five deaths per 100,000 people.

"Often, it's hard to understand the trends when looking at the whole country," said Alison Hill, an infectious disease researcher at Harvard University. She noted that daily deaths are still rising in some metro areas, including Memphis, Sacramento, San Francisco and San Jose.

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IN BRIEF

Michigan university drops building name linked to KKK member

EAST LANSING (AP) — Michigan State University trustees unanimously changed the name of a campus building Friday after determining that a man with a long record of public service was a member of the Ku Klux Klan in the 1920s, despite a grandson's objections.

MSU officials said Stephen S. Nisbet's KKK membership card was discovered at a library at Central Michigan University. But Stephen P. Nisbet claimed Friday that it's not his grandfather's signature and called for consultations with a historian.

He said he never heard his grandfather talk about an affiliation with the klan.

The human resources building was named in 1974 for Nisbet, who was a member of the school's governing board in the 1960s. He worked in education and business, and was chairman of the 1961 convention that produced Michigan's constitution.

Dozens missing as firefighters battle two large Oregon fires

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — Hundreds of firefighters battled two large wildfires Friday that threatened to merge near the most populated part of Oregon, including the suburbs of Portland, and the governor said dozens of people are missing in other parts of the state.

The state's emergency management director, Andrew Phelps, said officials are "preparing for a mass fatality event" and that thousands of structures have been destroyed.

Gov. Kate Brown said more than 40,000 Oregonians have been evacuated and about 500,000 are in different levels of evacuation zones, either having been told to leave or to prepare to do so. She was dialing back on a statement late Thursday issued by the state Office of Emergency Management that said a half-million people had been ordered to evacuate statewide.

Bahrain becomes latest Arab nation to recognize Israel

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bahrain on Friday agreed to normalize relations with Israel, becoming the latest Arab nation to do so as part of a broader diplomatic push by President Donald Trump and his administration to further ease the Jewish state's relative isolation in the Middle East and find common ground with nations that share U.S. wariness of Iran.

Trump announced the agreement on the 19th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks following a phone call he had with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Bahrain's King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa. The three leaders also issued a brief joint statement marking the second such Arab normalization agreement with Israel in the past two months.

The announcement came less than a week before Trump hosts a White House ceremony to mark the establishment of full relations between Israel and the United Arab Emirates, something that Trump and his Middle East team brokered in August. Bahrain's foreign minister will attend that event and sign a separate agreement with Netanyahu.

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Friday drawings

Michigan

Midday Daily 3
9-5-5
Midday Daily 4
9-8-3-3
Daily 3
1-4-4
Daily 4
3-6-0-2
Fantasy 5
01-07-10-19-39
Keno
03-06-07-08-11-19-22-28-30-31-41-43-49-52-55-61-63-70-71-74-77-80
Mega Millions jackpot
$108 million
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$85 million

Thursday drawings

Indiana

Cash 5
08-21-30-36-44
Cash4Life
10-18-24-27-57, Cash Ball: 3
Quick Draw Midday
01-03-04-17-18-21-22-32-35-38-39-41-43-47-48-54-58-61-71-78, BE: 39
Daily Three-Midday
0-3-6, SB: 1
Daily Three-Evening
6-4-1, SB: 2
Daily Four-Midday
7-0-9-3, SB: 1
Daily Four-Evening
0-7-8-3, SB: 2
Quick Draw Evening
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07-21-25-34-40-49, Extra Shot: 7
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LuckyDay Lotto Midday
05-07-19-29-44
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2-1-0, Fireball: 9
Pick Three-Evening
0-6-4, Fireball: 5
Pick Four-Midday
8-1-2-6, Fireball: 9
Pick Four-Evening
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Comforting families, warning foes: Biden and Trump mark Sept. 11

By JILL COLVIN, ALEXANDRA JAFFE and DARLENE SUPERVILLE
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Democratic presidential candidate former Vice President Joe Biden greets Vice President Mike Pence at the 19th anniversary ceremony in observance of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks at the National September 11 Memorial & Museum in New York on Friday.

SHANKSVILLE, Pa. — One spent time quietly consoling families.

The other proclaimed America's might.

President Donald Trump and his Democratic rival, Joe Biden marked the 19th anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks on Friday at memorial services where their differences in style couldn't have been more sharply on display.

As Biden approached those who'd lost loved ones at Ground Zero and shared the pain of his own losses, Trump vowed that "America will always rise up, stand tall and fight back," speaking at the Shanksville, Pennsylvania, site where hijacked Flight 93 crashed after passengers rushed the cockpit.

Biden also visited Shanksville later in the day, laying a wreath at the memorial and meeting with families, but the two did not cross paths. And while Americans were focused on the commemorations, the political significance of the visits to Shanksville was hard to ignore: Pennsylvania is a crucial battleground state in the 2020 election. Trump won there by less than 1 percentage point four years ago, and Democrats hope they can return it to their column this year.

Biden insisted that he would steer clear of politics on a national day of mourning taking place in the midst of another unfolding tragedy, the pandemic.

"I'm not gonna make any news today. I'm not gonna talk about anything other than 9/11," Biden told reporters. "We took all our advertising down, It's a solemn day, and that's how we're going to keep it, OK?" The Trump campaign did not follow suit, in a break with tradition, and was quick to point out Biden ads that were still running Friday.

Biden's campaign said that any airings had been inadvertent and that they were reaching out to affiliate stations for an explanation and to remedy.

In Shanksville, Trump shared the story of Flight 93, which officials say had been headed for Washington, D.C. until passengers teamed up against the hijackers, memorably declaring "let's roll" as they took them on midflight.

"The heroes of Flight 93 are an everlasting reminder that no matter the danger, no matter the threat, no matter the odds, America will always rise up, stand tall, and fight back," Trump said as he voiced empathy for the families of the victims, singing out several by name and telling them their pain "is the shared grief of our whole nation."

Trump also noted that the country had come together after 9/11, which was a striking contrast to the stark divisions on display today as the nation grapples with the pandemic, economic turmoil and a reckoning over race and police violence.

"It was a unity based on love for our families, care for our neighbors, loyalty to our fellow citizens, pride in our great flag, gratitude for our police and first responders, faith in God and a refusal to bend our will to the depraved forces of violence, intimidation, oppression and evil," Trump said.

It was a different scene in Lower Manhattan as Biden attended the 9/11 Memorial & Museum's annual commemoration at Ground Zero, along with Vice President Mike Pence.

In a rare moment of detente in a vitriolic campaign, Biden approached Pence after arriving and tapped him on the shoulder to say hello. The current and former vice presidents then shared an elbow bump – the popular COVID-era handshake replacement – as did Biden and Karen Pence.

While public officials were not part of the official program in New York, Biden spent time at the ceremony consoling families in attendance. At one point, as the names of victims were being read, he spotted a woman crying in the crowd. Amanda Barreto, 27, of Teaneck, New Jersey, lost her godmother and aunt in the 9/11 attacks.

She said Biden "wanted to let me know to keep the faith." He told her "he knows what it means to lose someone. He wanted me to stay strong. And he's so sorry for my loss." She said she appreciated his comments and would be voting for him this fall.

U.S. budget deficit hits record $3 trillion through 11 months

By MARTIN CRUTSINGER
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON — The U.S. budget deficit hit an all-time high of $3 trillion for the first 11 months of this budget year, the Treasury Department said Friday.

The ocean of red ink is a product of the government's massive spending to try to cushion the impact of a coronavirus-fueled recession that has cost millions of jobs.

The deficit from October through August is more than double the previous 11-month record of $1.37 billion set in 2009. At that time the government was spending large sums to get out of the Great Recession triggered by the 2008 financial crisis.

With one month to go in the 2020 budget year, which ends Sept. 30, the deficit could go even higher. The Congressional Budget Office is forecasting the deficit this year will hit a record $3.3 trillion. However, the government often runs surpluses in September so it is possible the final figure for this year could come in just under $3 trillion.

That would still put the deficit well above last year's imbalance of $984 billion. The previous record deficit for a fiscal year was $1.4 trillion in 2009 in the aftermath of the financial crisis.

Congress has passed a series of relief bills totaling nearly $3 trillion that provided support such as a $600-a-week boost in unemployment benefits, up to $1,200 in payments to individuals and aid for small businesses trying to retain their workers.

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Berrien marks a month of steady virus numbers

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
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BENTON TOWNSHIP — Berrien County's trend of steady COVID-19 rates continued this week for the fourth week in a row.

The county added 63 new COVID-19 cases and 48 recoveries this week. The previous week the county gained 62 new cases and 76 recoveries.

This week, the county's percent positivity rate dropped below 3 percent, coming in at 2.4 percent as of Monday, with about 671 tests being administered daily.

One COVID-19 death was recorded this week. The previous week the county had recorded zero COVID-19 deaths and the week before that it recorded one death.

With deaths and recoveries, the county has about 93 active COVID-19 cases. That's up from 79 active cases last Friday, and the same as the Friday before that.

In total, the county has now had 1,537 confirmed cases, 1,373 recoveries, 71 deaths and 253 presumed cases. That's an addition of three presumed cases over last Friday.

Spectrum Health Lakeland was treating nine COVID-19 patients Friday morning. Last Friday the hospital was treating seven. The patient number has hovered between seven and 10 all week.

Cases pop up at jail

The Berrien County Jail has had six inmates test positive for COVID-19 over the last couple of weeks, officials report.

On Thursday Undersheriff Chuck Heit confirmed that one inmate had became symptomatic, was quarantined and was tested. His results came back positive on Aug. 27.

"There were 10 other inmates that had exposure to him and they were quarantined and then given a COVID-19 test seven days later. None of these inmates were experiencing any symptoms throughout this time period. Five of the 10 inmates that were tested came back positive, although they continue to be asymptomatic at this time," Heit said in an email.

He said the sheriff's office will not release names or case information on those inmates.

Heit said jail staff continue to check symptoms and temperatures of all inmates that are booked, and isolate and quarantine inmates according to protocol and as directed by the jail's medical staff, which is in constant contact with the Berrien County Health Department.

A UVC Disinfection Robot, along with an electrostatic sprayer, are being used to sanitize the jail. The county has also authorized a full-time advanced sanitation specialist position that is assigned to the jail to assist with the ongoing cleaning, according to Heit.

Van Buren/Cass

The Van Buren Cass District Health Department (VBCDHD) released its updated tally of recovered COVID-19 patients Friday.

There are now 426 people recovered in Van Buren County. That's an addition of 69 recoveries since last Friday. The previous week the county only added 10 recoveries.

Cass County now has 316 people recovered. That's an addition of 56 recoveries since last Friday. The previous week the county added 14 recoveries.

The VBCDHD defines recovered as those with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis who are alive 30 days post-onset or referral date, if onset is not available. The large recovery numbers this week signify that it's been about a month since a spike in cases in those counties.

Van Buren County added 32 new COVID-19 cases this week. The previous week the county had added 60 new cases.

No new deaths were recorded this week, keeping the county's death toll at 14.

With deaths and recoveries, the county is at about 176 active cases. That's down from 203 last Friday.

Cass County added 25 new COVID-19 cases this week. The previous week the county had added 24 new cases.

No new deaths were recorded this week, keeping the county's death toll at 16.

Cass and Van Buren County's both had percent positivity rates this week that were similar to last week's.

On Monday, the state had recorded Cass County as having 2.9 percent of its test coming back positive, with the county administering about 101 tests a day.

Van Buren County's percent positivity rate was 4.1 percent Monday, with about 236 tests being done daily.

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RIVER RESPITE

Don Campbell / HP staff

A man fishes in the Paw Paw River County Park on Thursday afternoon in Watervliet, taking advantage of a nice cool late summer day.

New Holland Brewing Co. plans to open tasting room in South Haven

By BECKY KARK
For The Herald-Palladium

SOUTH HAVEN— In the past three years, a handful of breweries and tasting rooms have decided to make downtown South Haven their home. Within the next year a new one expects to be added.

Holland-based New Holland Brewing Co. plans to open a tasting room in the Hale building at 253 Center St.

Formerly occupied by the Rose Shop, and more recently, the Center Street Emporium, the space is currently under renovation to make way for the tasting room.

"We've been neighbors for 23 years, we're excited to come down and enjoy South Haven," said David White, New Holland Brewing Co., partner. "We opened a tasting room last year in Saugatuck that is very comparable to what we'll have here."

New Holland Brewing not only produces craft brews, it also is licensed to produce wine and spirits.

Becky Kark / For The Herald-Palladium

New Holland Brewing Co. plans to open a new tasting room in the former Center Street Emporium at 253 Center St., South Haven. The location is part of the historic three-story Hale building, which is now undergoing a $2.7 million renovation that will include retail on the first floor and apartments on the second and third floors.

Before it can open its tasting room in South Haven, however, the Holland-based company will need to obtain an off-premises tasting room license from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

This week South Haven City Council members OK'd a resolution recommending approval for the license.

Mayor Scott Smith is receptive to the addition of a tasting room on Center Street, which within the last year underwent a nearly $3 million upgrade that includes new water and sewer lines, new concrete street and sidewalks, landscaping, lighting, benches, and other amenities.

"It's exciting to see businesses headed for Center Street," Smith said.

When the tasting room opens, it will house a retail portion in the front, with spirits and merchandise items on display.

"A tasting bar is included where guests may sample the products and purchase the spirits, wine, cider and seltzers for sale," Interim City Manager Kate Hosier told council members. "Additionally, they plan for a small kitchen to make light snacks, such as appetizers, flatbread pizzas and salads."

New Holland Brewing Co. started brewing beer in Holland in 1997, when it opened a brewpub and restaurant downtown. The company later opened the Grand Rapids Brewpub, and last year, the Saugatuck Tasting Room. In 2005 the company obtained a license to open a distillery to produce whiskey, rum and gin, in addition to its line of craft beers.

The company employs 500 people and its craft beer and spirits are sold throughout the United States and in international markets, as well, according to New Holland Brewing's website.

State police offer bicycling safety reminders

By HP STAFF

NILES — Over the last five years in Michigan, 137 people have been killed in crashes involving bicyclists, according to Michigan State Police.

With that in mind, the Niles state police post is offering bicycle safety tips for both motorists and bicyclists during Bicyclist Safety Enforcement Week.

Even though a bicycle is not a motor vehicle, a bicyclist must obey the same traffic laws as a motorist. Both motorists and bicyclists can do their part to make the roads safer for everyone, police said.

Here are reminders from the state police for motorists:

- Allow at least three feet while passing a bicyclist.
- Do not make illegal turns.
- Make complete stops at signals and stop signs.
- Do not block a roadway that interferes with the normal flow of traffic.
- Use turn signals.
- Remember not to park or drive in a bike lane.

Here are tips for bicyclists:

- Ride with traffic.
- Use a light when biking at night.
- Do not ride more than two abreast.
- Use your hand signals when making turns.
- Wear a bicycle helmet.

LEGISLATIVE ROLL CALL

Senate Bill 892, Make rules for 'semi-autonomous personal delivery devices' ('R2D2'): Passed 22 to 16 in the Senate

To establish regulations allowing semi-autonomous "personal delivery devices" to make deliveries on roads and sidewalks. The bill defines these as devices for transporting cargo on sidewalks or on the side or shoulder of a roadway "with the remote support and supervision of a human." The bill would require that a human operator monitor the device and be able to promptly take control. It establishes that these are not "vehicles" subject to licensure, prescribes required safety equipment and specific "rules-of-the-road" (and sidewalks), addresses user liability issues and more. Local government regulation would be preempted, but local authorities could choose to ban the devices, with some exceptions.

21 Sen. Kim LaSata, R – Bainbridge Township .... Y
26 Sen. Aric Nesbitt, R – Lawton ..... Y

Senate Bill 171, Let high school students avoid language requirement and more: Passed 67 to 38 in the House

To repeal a provision of the law establishing high school graduation requirements that requires school districts to report to the state each year the number of students who did not complete a language requirement but instead took career and technical courses or "visual or performing arts" courses that are allowed as an alternative. The bill also makes permanent a temporary provision allowing students to avoid part of the language requirement by taking a career and technical education program.

59 Rep. Aaron Miller, R – Sturgis ..... Y
66 Rep. Beth Griffin, R – Mattawan ..... Y
78 Rep. Brad Paquette, R – Niles ..... Y
79 Rep. Pauline Wendzel, R – Bainbridge Township .... Y
80 Rep. Mary Whiteford, R – Casco Township..... Y

House Bill 5085, Let veterinarians consult on marijuana and CBD for animals: Passed 107 to 0 in the House

To require state health care regulators to create rules that would permit a veterinarian to "consult" with an animal owner on the use of marijuana or CBD oil on an animal.

59 Rep. Aaron Miller, R – Sturgis..... Y
66 Rep. Beth Griffin, R – Mattawan..... Y
78 Rep. Brad Paquette, R – Niles ..... Y
79 Rep. Pauline Wendzel, R – Bainbridge Township .... Y
80 Rep. Mary Whiteford, R – Casco Township..... Y

House Bill 5699, House Bill 5699, Decriminalize driving without having license in possession: Passed 106 to 0 in the House

To repeal the criminal sanctions for driving without having a driver's license in the driver's possession. The bill would instead make this a civil offense subject to fine.

59 Rep. Aaron Miller, R – Sturgis..... Y
66 Rep. Beth Griffin, R – Mattawan ..... Y
78 Rep. Brad Paquette, R – Niles ..... Y
79 Rep. Pauline Wendzel, R – Bainbridge Township .... Y
80 Rep. Mary Whiteford, R – Casco Township ..... Y

House Bill 4483, Create model cursive handwriting instruction program: Passed 106 to 0 in the House

To require the Department of Education to create a model program of instruction in cursive handwriting, and invite but not require schools to use it.

59 Rep. Aaron Miller, R – Sturgis..... Y
66 Rep. Beth Griffin, R – Mattawan ..... Y
78 Rep. Brad Paquette, R – Niles ..... Y
79 Rep. Pauline Wendzel, R – Bainbridge Township .... Y
80 Rep. Mary Whiteford, R – Casco Township ..... Y

House Bill 4488, Limit using criminal background to bar occupational licensure: Passed 106 to 0 in the House

To further limit the use of criminal records to determine whether an individual is eligible to get an occupational license mandated by the state, which is required to earn a living in many professions. Specifically, with some exceptions, a licensing board or agency could not consider past civil judgments or lawsuits against an individual as evidence of a "lack of good moral character," and also could not consider a criminal conviction, in and of itself, as conclusive evidence of this. This would not apply if the individual was convicted of a felony that is explicitly listed in statute as a disqualifying offense for the particular license, or the offense was directly related to the licensed profession.

59 Rep. Aaron Miller, R – Sturgis ..... Y
66 Rep. Beth Griffin, R – Mattawan ..... Y
78 Rep. Brad Paquette, R – Niles ..... Y
79 Rep. Pauline Wendzel, R – Bainbridge Township .... Y
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OBITUARIES

Doris Piraino

Nov. 6, 1926 – Sept. 7, 2020

Doris Piraino, 93, of Benton Harbor passed away Monday, Sept. 7, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph.

A private graveside service will be at North Shore Memory Gardens in Coloma. Those wishing to share a memory of Doris online may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Doris was born Nov. 6, 1926, in Benton Harbor, to Henry and Florence (Kietzer) Kraklau. Doris graduated from Benton Harbor High School in 1945 and then went onto attend business college in Benton Harbor.

On Oct. 6, 1951, she married Anthony Piraino in Benton Harbor. Doris worked for Whirlpool Corp. as a secretary for many years. She was a member of the Whirlpool Golden Eagles, Sons of Italy and was a volunteer at Lakeland, where she served countless of hours of her time. Doris also enjoyed puzzles, knitting, word books, family genealogy and looked forward to attending Kraklau and Kietzer family reunions annually.

Doris is survived by her daughter, Diane (Bruce) Dings; son, Edward (Michele) Piraino; three grandchildren: Bradley Piraino, Joey (Morgan) Callahan and Kathleen (Michael) Ernst; five great-grandchildren: Gracie, Bennett, Mason, Lexie and Quinn; and a niece, Laura Kraklau.

Doris was preceded in death by her parents; husband, and brothers: Harry and Don Kraklau.

Rosalie Malott

June 15, 1936 – Sept. 7, 2020

Rosalie nee Potts, (Cook) Malott, of LaGrange, Ind., and St. Joseph passed away Monday, Sept. 7, 2020, at her home.

She was born on June 15, 1936, in South Zanesville, Ohio, to Clifford and Leone Potts.

Rosalie married David A. Cook on October 23, 1954, who preceded her in death on Jan. 7, 2002. On Sept. 4, 2004, she married Herbert F. Malott.

Rosalie was employed over 30 years at St. Joseph Savings & Loan, where she retired as vice president of the Mortgage and Loan Department. Her greatest joys were time spent with family and friends as well as cooking the most fantastic Sunday dinners.

She will be deeply missed by all who have known her. Rosalie was a stranger to no one. Once you met her, you were friends. When Rosalie asked, "how are you?", she truly wanted to know. Being a woman of strong faith provided her the strength and guidance to face challenges and offer wonderful words of wisdom and council throughout her life.

Proceeded in death were her parents; one sister; two brothers; and son, Robert A. Cook.

Rosalie is survived by her husband, Herbert; son, Steven (Denise) Cook; daughter, Julie (John) Roose; daughter, Susan (Brian) Patzer; grandchildren: Brandon (Kara) Dipert, Katie (David) Moran, Kim (Jordan) O'Hearn, Tyler Cook, Ellen Steinbrook; great-grandchildren: Madison, Norah, Porter and Lucy; step-children: Diana Malott, Mike (Reese) Malott; step-grandchildren: Shon and Sarah; step-great-grandchildren: Kirie and Charlotte; and three brothers, Emmett (Ed), Boyd (Butch) and Jack Potts.

A celebration of life service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, at Starks & Menchinger Chapel, 2650 Niles Road, St. Joseph, with Pastor Joan Oleson officiating. Burial will follow at Hickory Bluff Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family from 1 p.m. until time of service on Friday at the funeral home. Following state guidelines, masks will be required while present at the funeral home and graveside.

Memorial contributions may be made to Parkview Hospice, 1900 Carew St. #6, Fort Wayne, IN 46805.

Those wishing to leave an online condolence may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Death notices

Christopher "Chris" Bikichky, 44, of Berrien Springs died Sept. 8, 2020, at Hanson Hospice Center, Stevensville. Allred Funeral Home, Berrien Springs, 471-3729.

Ken Gaynor Sr., of Watervliet died Sunday, Sept. 6, 2020, at The Willows Assisted Living, St. Joseph. Hutchins Funeral Home, Watervliet, 463-3811.

Doris Piraino, 93, of Benton Harbor died Sept. 7, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Starks & Menchinger Chapel and Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Philipp F. Schneider, 80, of Benton Harbor died Sept. 10, 2020, at Hanson Hospice Center, Stevensville. Allred Funeral Home, Berrien Springs. 471-3729.

Floris L. (Masten) Schug, 89, of Berrien Springs died Sept. 3, 2020. Allred Funeral Home, Berrien Springs, 471-3729.

Patti Ann Lee

Sept. 5, 1950 – Sept. 2, 2020

Patti Ann Lee, 69, died peacefully at home on Sept. 2, 2020, surrounded by the women who lovingly cared for in her last months: her sister Janet, Shawn Mackay, Linda Pliml and Sheran Wallis.

Patti was born Sept. 5, 1950, in Lansing, to Lois and Danny Lee. She graduated from Lansing Community College in radiologic technology and worked at MSU's Olin Center as a rad tech. She arrived in our Twin Cities to work at the former Mercy Hospital in Benton Harbor; on the job, she trained Lake Michigan College (LMC) rad tech students who were doing their clinicals. Eventually Patti became the clinical director of the LMC program, and finally program coordinator.

Patti completed a master's degree at the University of Notre Dame in not-for-profit administration with her dear friend, Sheran; forever after, Patti held a great love for Notre Dame. Patti earned a second master's degree in post-secondary counseling, from Western Michigan University, and shifted her professional duties to student services at LMC. She advised and counseled undecided students, veterans, international students, health sciences students and displaced workers. At one time, she served as student ombudsman. In 2002, Patti was named Counselor of the Year by the Berrien-Cass-Van Buren Counselor Association.

Patti trained at Appalachian State University in student assessment and analyzed the relationship between placement testing and course success at LMC. Patti was also a strong advocate for faculty at LMC; she helped write the Faculty Senate bylaws and served as the Senate's first secretary.

Patti traveled far and wide with Sheran. They drove Route 66, Big Sur, braved mountain-hugging Utah National Parks roads and the other side of the road in Ireland. They spent time in the winter in Florida. They visited almost every state in the country, along with Ireland and England, and Patti took professional-grade photos along the way. A great music lover, Patti attended many concerts; among the performers she saw live were Dolly Parton, Johnny Mathis, Neil Diamond, Billy Joel and Barbra Streisand.

Patti always enjoyed sharing meals with her friends, especially the "Dinner Divas," the "Lunch Bunch," Shawn and Marsha and the LMC Retirees and Friends. Patti joined the Fairplain Lions Club in 2020 and regretted not being able to participate in the Lions free testing of children's eyesight.

Patti was an excellent cook and shared her knowledge with others. She took great pride and pleasure in cooking for her family and friends, especially her dear friend Linda. She was devoted to the Cooking Channel and "In the Kitchen with David."

At the Rainbow Bridge Patti will be met by her beloved dogs: Charlie and Sammie, generations one and two. Her "girls" were a great comfort and she and "Gramma Linda" took their care very seriously. They were so loved that some friends suggested that they wanted to be reincarnated as one of Patti's girls.

She is survived by her sister, Janet Lee of East Lansing; sister, Susan Morrison of Baldwin and nephews: Jacob, Jason and Brian. Patti was blessed to have Linda Pliml and many friends who survive her. She was embraced by the Wallis family and survived by sister-friend, Sheran of Benton Harbor; "son," Bob (Beth Gregory-Wallis) of Kalamazoo; "daughter," Elizabeth (Eric Lund) of Macomb Township, and four kids who called her "Gramma Patti": Duncan, Lucy, Katie and Maddie.

Patti asked that memorials be made to the organization of your choice. A celebration of Patti's life will be held at a later date.

Christopher 'Chris' Bikichky

April 14, 1976 – Sept. 8, 2020

Christopher "Chris" Bikichky, 44, of Berrien Springs passed away Sept. 8, 2020, at Hanson Hospice Center in Stevensville after an extended illness.

Chris was born April 14, 1976, at Berrien General Hospital in Berrien Center. He married Elizabeth "Beth" (Kohles) Bikichky and they have a 14-year-old son, Jordan. Chris was a member of the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary, Pathfinders, American Legion and Stevensville SDA Church.

He was trained as a paramedic but worked as an EMT and volunteered with Coloma Ambulance and worked for South Haven Hospital ER, Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph ER and surgery, and Pride Care Ambulance.

He is survived by his wife and son; his mother, Victoria Bathgate; his father and step-mother: Nick and Jackie Bikichky; brother, Andrew (Caroline) Bikichky; step-brother, Corey (Deborah) Busch; sisters-in-law, Joyce (Scott) Tschetter and Diana Casey; his in-laws, Harry and Rachel Kohles; brothers-in-law, Kevin (Paula) Kohles and Brian (Monica) Kohles; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his step-brother, Eric Busch.

Chris enjoyed surprising people with gifts and making people happy, spending time with family and friends and watching the antics of our cats and sugar gliders.

A memorial service is planned to be announced at a later date. Donations, in lieu of flowers, can be made to Caring Circle and/or Hanson Hospice Center.

Online messages and memories may be shared at www.allredfuneralhome.com.

Floris L. (Masten) Schug

July 15, 1931 – Sept. 3, 2020

Floris L. (Masten) Schug, 89, passed peacefully comforted by family on Sept. 3, 2020.

Floris was born July 15, 1931, to Rellie E. and Lavina V. (Solomon) Masten at their home in Almena Township. She attended school at Almena Country School District #2 and graduated from Paw Paw High School. After graduation, Floris worked behind the soda fountain at Dillon's Pharmacy in Paw Paw, where she met and married her husband of 68 years, David D. Schug. They moved to Berrien Springs and opened Schug Drug Store in January 1952. The drugstore was owned by David and Floris until 1990, when they sold the family business to their son, David H. Schug.

As a resident of Berrien Springs, Floris was very involved in many community activities, including the Civic League, volunteering with the Hospital Auxiliary and the Blossomland Queen Committee.

Floris is survived by her four children: David H. Schug (Allyn) of Cassopolis, Melissa Koetsier (David) of Saline, Brenda Barancik of Berrien Springs, and Denise Schug of South Bend; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and a sister, Nola Geissel.

She was preceded in death by her parents; an older brother, Wilford Bill Masten; and her husband, David D. Schug.

Floris will be remembered by family and friends as a devoted and loving wife, mother and friend. She was very artistic and passed her passion for drawing, painting and photography on to many family members. Each year at the family reunion, it was common knowledge that Floris would take the group photograph … and each year they would expect Floris to arrange, and rearrange the group, ending with her saying "Just one more take," followed by groans and laughter from the group. Her artistic eye definitely created some wonderful pictures throughout the years.

Her loving care of her family will be forever missed by her children, who are thankful for her always being "our soft place to fall," and to both parents for creating a nurturing, loving childhood.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at a later date. Messages and memories may be shared online at www.allredfuneralhome.com.

Kenneth Wayne Gaynor Sr.

Jan. 27, 1935 – Sept. 6, 2020

Ken Gaynor Sr., passed away Sunday, Sept. 6, 2020, at The Willows Assisted Living, St. Joseph.

Ken was born Jan. 27, 1935, in Hammond, Ind., to Carl and Mildred Gaynor.

He worked as a mechanic at Karson's in St. Joseph, Rogel's in Watervliet, Downtown 66 in Benton Harbor, and Ridge & Kramer.

In Ken's younger days he enjoyed traveling, camping, motorcycle riding, boating, bowling and photography.

Ken is survived by five sons: Ken (Elaine) Gaynor Jr., Keith (Linda) Gaynor, Kevin Gaynor, Kris Gaynor, and Kelly Gaynor; a brother, Ronald Gaynor; many grandchildren; and nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Maureen Gaynor; a daughter, Sherry Gaynor; sister-in-law, Nancy Gaynor, and his parents.

Hutchins Funeral Home is assisting Ken's family with cremation and his family will celebrated his life privately. You are welcome to leave a message of comfort for Ken's family at hutchinsfuneral.com.

Trump lauds Medal of Honor recipient

By AAMER MADHANI and JILL COLVIN
Associated Press

Andrew Harnik / AP

President Donald Trump awards the Medal of Honor to Army Sgt. Maj. Thomas P. Payne in the East Room of the White House on Friday.

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump bestowed the Medal of Honor on a U.S. soldier Friday, calling him "one of the bravest men anywhere in the world" for his role in a daring 2015 mission to rescue dozens of hostages who were set to be executed by Islamic State militants in Iraq.

Trump picked the 19th anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks to honor Sgt. Maj. Thomas "Patrick" Payne, who negotiated a barrage of enemy gunfire and repeatedly entered a burning building in a harrowing effort that saved more than 70 hostages. The president said that Payne, who was in high school on 9/11, and his classmates learned about the attacks on the United States from a teacher who solemnly relayed what had happened.

"In that moment, Pat was called to action," Trump said. "He knew that his country needed him."

Trump highlighted Payne's "small-town America" upbringing and his family's commitment to public service. The soldier grew up in Batesburg-Leesville and Lugoff, S.C. His wife Alison is a nurse, his father a police officer, and his two brothers serve in the Army and Air Force.

Payne, 36, was assigned to lead a team clearing one of two buildings known to house hostages in a nighttime operation in the northern Iraq province of Kirkuk. The Oct. 22, 2015, raid quickly became complicated.

Kurdish forces working with U.S. troops attempted to blast a hole in the compound's outer wall, but the blast failed. The explosion alerted the ISIS militants, who opened fire on the Kurdish forces.

Payne, a sergeant first class at the time of the mission, and his unit climbed over a wall to enter the prison compound. The soldiers quickly cleared one of the two buildings. Once inside the building, the unit encountered enemy resistance. The team used bolt cutters to break the locks off the prison doors, freeing 38 hostages, according to the White House.

Moments later, an urgent call over the radio came from other task force members engaged in an intense gun fight at the second building.

Between 10 to 20 Army soldiers, including Payne and Master Sgt. Joshua L. Wheeler, headed toward the second building that was partially on fire. Kurdish commandos were pinned down by the gunfire.

Wheeler was shot and killed, the first American killed in action since the U.S. launched renewed military intervention in Iraq against the Islamic State in 2014. Twenty ISIS fighters also were killed in the operation.

Payne called his fellow soldiers actions on that day "awe-inspiring." "It makes me proud to be an American," he said. Their legacies live on in this Medal of Honor."

ISIS fighters continued to exchange gunfire with the commandos as they entered the building. Once the door was kicked opened, both American and Kurdish commandos escorted dozens more hostages out of the burning building.

Payne reentered the building two more times to ensure every hostage was freed. He had to forcibly remove one of the hostages who was too frightened to move.

Hyundai recalls 180K SUVs, warns owners to park outside

DETROIT (AP) — For the second time this month, Hyundai is telling some SUV owners to park outdoors because an electrical short in a computer could cause vehicles to catch fire.

The Korean automaker is recalling about 180,000 Tucson SUVs in the U.S. from 2019 through 2021 to fix the problem. The company says corrosion can cause a short circuit in defective anti-lock brake circuit boards that can cause a fire even if engines are off.

Hyundai says on Friday that it knows of a dozen engine fires caused by the problem but no injuries.

In addition, Hyundai says if the anti-lock brake warning light comes on, the SUVs should not be driven and owners should disconnect the positive cable on the battery. They should contact a dealer who will provide a loaner vehicle if needed.

Separately, Kia, which is affiliated with Hyundai, is recalling more than 9,000 Stinger sports cars with 3.3-liter turbocharged engines for a similar problem.

Getting it straight

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Feeding America Mobile Food Pantry dates announced

By HP STAFF

The Feeding America West Michigan Mobile Food Pantry will make a number of stops in Southwest Michigan in the coming weeks, including:

■ 11 a.m. Monday, Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, 528 Ferry St., Niles.

■ 3 p.m. Tuesday, Hope Community Church, 2390 Lake St., Niles.

■ 10 a.m. Wednesday, Neighbor to Neighbor, 9147 Old U.S. 31, Berrien Springs.

■ 4 p.m. Wednesday, Stevensville United Methodist Church, 5506 Ridge Road.

■ 11 a.m. Thursday, Van Buren United Civic Organization, 73292 34th Ave., Covert.

■ 3:30 p.m. Friday, Harbert Community Park, 13443 Red Arrow Highway, Harbert.

■ 11 a.m. Sept. 21, Hamilton Township Hall, 52333 W. Territorial Road, Decatur.

■ 3 p.m. Sept. 22, Galien Township Hall, 305 Kiley Drive, Galien.

■ 4 p.m. Sept. 23, Cassopolis First Church of God, 21083 Spencer Road, Cassopolis.

■ 12:30 p.m. Sept. 24, Trinity Lutheran Church Ministry Center, 619 Main St., St. Joseph.

■ 3 p.m. Sept. 25, First Baptist Church of Niles, 1446 E. Main St., Niles.

■ 3 p.m. Sept. 29, Lyons Industries, 30000 M-62, Dowagiac.

■ 4 p.m. Sept. 30, New Freedom Church, 6210 Mountain Road, Coloma.

■ 3:30 p.m. Oct. 1, New Troy Community Center, 13372 California Road, New Troy.

■ 11 a.m. Oct. 2, Pleasant View Church of Christ, 60550 Crooked Creek Road, Cassopolis.

■ 11 a.m. Oct. 5, Paw Paw Seventh-day Adventist Church, 60409 S. M-40, Paw Paw.

■ 3:30 p.m. Oct. 6, Chikaming Township Hall, 13535 Red Arrow Highway, Harbert.

■ 4 p.m. Oct. 7, Woodland Shores Baptist Church, 3555 Shawnee Road, Bridgman.

■ 4 p.m. Oct. 8, The Church of Cassopolis, 520 Pearl St., Cassopolis.

■ 4 p.m. Oct. 9, Eau Claire Seventh-day Adventist Church, 6562 Naomi Road, Eau Claire.

The food pantry is currently drive-thru. Attendees should ensure there is a space in the back of their vehicle for volunteers to load food.

For a complete list of stops, visit www.feedwm.org/mobile-pantry-schedule.

Photo provided

Dozens of people line up for a mobile food pantry distribution at Neighbor to Neighbor in Berrien Springs earlier this year.

Study: Kids infected at day care spread coronavirus at home

By MIKE STOBBE
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Children who caught the coronavirus at day cares and a day camp spread it to their relatives, according to a new report that underscores that kids can bring the germ home and infect others.

Scientists already know children can spread the virus. But the study published Friday by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention "definitively indicates – in a way that previous studies have struggled to do – the potential for transmission to family members," said William Hanage, a Harvard University infectious diseases researcher.

The findings don't mean that schools and child-care programs need to close, but it does confirm that the virus can spread within those places and then be brought home by kids. So, masks, disinfection and social distancing are needed. And people who work in such facilities have to be careful and get tested if they think they may be infected, experts said.

Earlier research from the U.S., China and Europe has found that children are less likely than adults to be infected by the virus and are less likely to become seriously ill when they do get sick.

There also was data suggesting that young children don't spread the virus very often, though older kids are believed to spread it as easily as adults.

In the new study, researchers from Utah and the CDC focused on three outbreaks in Salt Lake City child care facilities between April and July. Two were child-care programs for toddlers, and the other was a camp for older kids. The average age of kids at all three programs was about 7.

At two of the facilities, investigators were able to establish that an infected adult worker unknowingly introduced the virus.

The study concluded 12 children caught the coronavirus at the facilities, and spread it to at least 12 of the 46 parents or siblings that they came in contact at home. Three of the infected children had no symptoms, and one of them spread it to a parent who was later hospitalized because of COVID-19, the researchers said.

That kind of rate of spread – about 25 percent – is on par with studies of spread in households that have included both children and adults. It also shows that children with no symptoms, or very mild symptoms, can spread the infection, just like adults can.

Hanage cautioned that it's not clear whether the findings at the three programs are broadly applicable. Also, the study didn't involve genetic analysis of individual infections that might have given a clearer picture of how the disease spread.

But many infected kids experience mild illnesses and testing of children has been very limited, so it's likely that more than 25 percent of the outside contacts were infected, Hanage added.

VIRUS

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"We're at a really critical point right now," Hill said. "Schools are reopening. The weather is getting colder, driving people indoors. All those things don't bode particularly well."

What's ahead may be worse because the virus is likely to have a seasonal swing similar to other respiratory illnesses, Mokdad agreed.

"In the Northern Hemisphere, it's hard to say we were lucky, but we were lucky that COVID-19 came at a time when seasonality was helping us," he said.

Similar fears grip Europe. The number of new confirmed coronavirus cases spiked Friday in parts of eastern Europe, with Hungary and the Czech Republic registering all-time daily highs. Signs of the pandemic's resurgence were also evident in Britain and the Netherlands. Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orban said his government was drafting a "war plan" to defend against another wave of infection.

Scientists do not yet know how much credit, if any, to give to treatment improvements for the decline in daily U.S. deaths. Doctors now use drugs such as remdesivir and tricks such as flipping patients from their backs to their stomachs.

But gains seen on hospital wards are hard to document with national data. Strangely, the death rate for patients admitted to the hospital has not improved, Mokdad said. It's possible that sicker patients are now being admitted to hospitals compared with earlier in the year, while healthier patients are treated at home. That would make it hard to see an improvement in the rate of deaths once patients are admitted to the hospital.

Others insist better treatments must be making a difference.

"We have many more tools in September of 2020 than we did in March of 2020," said Dr. Amesh Adalja, an infectious diseases expert at the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security in Baltimore.

And nursing homes are safer, Adalja said. Early in the epidemic, hospitals discharged patients with coronavirus into nursing homes full of vulnerable people. "We've learned from those mistakes," Adalja said.

Vigilance is the byword for fall, Mokdad said.

"This is a deadly virus. It's very opportunistic," he said. "It waits for us to make a mistake."

PURSUIT

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more you understand, the better you will be. Officially, we want to make sure we haven't enacted policies here years ago that were unfair, take care of our own house, so to speak," Garey said.

Todman, vice president of health equity for Spectrum Health Lakeland, in 2019 was the first Black person ever elected to the St. Joseph City Commission.

"That was huge," she said. "We didn't get here overnight. Some of these social conventions and norms run really deep."

Todman grew up in Chicago and lived in Europe for 14 years. She and her husband moved to St. Joseph in 1995 when he began working for Whirlpool.

"I didn't want to be here," said Todman candidly. "I felt like I'd entered a 25-year time warp. I had worked in Kalamazoo and Chicago, and as a highly educated African American woman, I couldn't get a job here. To watch the evolution, I'm hands-down filled with pride, and there is so much potential here."

Todman, however, said the work will not be done until her grown son and daughter, both professionals living in other states, want to live here and that, "It probably won't happen in my lifetime."

Commissioner Goos heads the Public Safety Focus Group, along with St. Joseph Public Safety Director Steve Neubecker and Deputy Director Jeremy Connell and Commissioner Jeff Richards.

Citizens who have joined the focus group include Marty Goldrick, Chriss Lyon and Lisa Hubbs.

"It is so important that we are working as a community to make St, Joe a better place to live, work and visit for all people," Goos said. "I'm proud that our mayor and city commissioners are taking a leadership role in our community for racial and social justice, and are encouraging our citizens to be part of the solution."

Goos said a review of police policies has shown that the St. Joseph Public Safety Department already has in place many of the police reforms being proposed across the country.

"But what we didn't have was citizens review and input. We think the citizens group can help with recruiting campaigns," she said. "And we want to take down barriers so people are less afraid. We want our police out of their cars and talking to people."

Goos points out that the St. Joseph Department of Public Safety already has a high level of training, with an emphasis on conflict resolution, de-escalation and diversity.

"Everyone involved recognizes this is a marathon. We're committing to the long-term, probably forever. We want to do it right."

PEGGY GETTY
Commissioner leading the Arts & Culture focus group

"The policy review they went through solidified my opinion that we have a pretty remarkable group of officers, and Steve and Jeremy are doing a great job," Goos said. "But if we really want to change the way people look at our department, we want it to be more diverse."

She said Neubecker has arranged for a school resource officer to be at the Benton Harbor Boys & Girls Club this year, and is looking into early entry programs such as a cadet program and internships.

Goos said the police department also is, as of July, compiling demographic information related to police activities, such as who is being pulled over during traffic stops.

"If more Black people are being pulled over, we have to deal with that, but we haven't had that information," she said.

Commissioner Getty is leading the Arts and Culture Focus Group of about 10 people, including residents from St. Joseph and Benton Harbor.

"Many groups in our community are working on things, and we want to unite so we can get more done," Getty said.

Sharon Brown, who along with her husband, Emmanuel, founded the African American History Museum in Benton Harbor, is working with Tami Miller and Julia Gourley from the Krasl Art Center in St. Joseph to possibly erect statues of Martin Luther King Jr. in both cities.

Getty said another initiative being proposed is a multimedia series of lectures, movies and art focused on social justice.

"It's important that we connect with people where they are. If they can't go to the Mendel Center (at Lake Michigan College), how do we make these things available?" Getty said. "Everyone involved recognizes this is a marathon. We're committing to the long-term, probably forever. We want to do it right."

Hubbs said she got involved as a citizen serving on the Public Safety and Arts and Culture Focus Groups because, "I wanted to help be part of the solution."

She is originally from Southern California and moved to St. Joseph in 2006 to work at Whirlpool. When that job ended, she chose to stay. She now works remotely for a company based in New York.

"For the last 10-15 years I had traveled heavily, and one of the positives of the COVID pandemic is that I have not traveled. I haven't always been able to take an active part in my community, so this is an unexpected positive," she said. "There's an underlying racial bias that this area has always had, and it hasn't gone away on its own without us doing something. If Benton Harbor residents don't feel they can come to St. Joseph without drawing extra scrutiny, that's a concern."

Emmanuel and Sharon Brown said their participation in the Arts and Culture Focus Group has felt like a healing process.

"We're all very concerned with unity, and we're finding that our words are opening up our hearts," Sharon Brown said. "I don't think we've ever been this free before to say what we're really thinking. We can be honest and not hold back. Everyone feels safe saying what they really feel."

The Browns also are applauding an initiative called 100 Conversations.

Mike Nadolski, executive director of the Mendel Center, said his team worked with LMC's Institutional Research Department to develop a series of questions to pose to at least 100 residents of St. Joseph and Benton Harbor.

Those conversations will be instrumental in developing future programming and offerings at the Mendel Center, Nadolski said.

"We're trying to talk to people who are already patrons or attendees of performances or events to see what we can do better. But what is perhaps more important is to talk to people who have never crossed through our doors and find out why, and what we can do better to engage them," he said.

Nadolski said he has worked with members of the Race Relations Council to identify people to include in the 100 Conversations.

"We want to reach a higher degree of relevance to our whole community well into the future. We want to understand why we're not attracting Benton Harbor residents to the degree we'd like to, and we want to attract younger attendees," he said. "We want real, honest feedback."

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INITIATIVES

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History / Community Education

■ Researching Black history in the nation and the local area to understand the long-term effects of systemic racism.

■ Exploring health inequities between cities.

■ Working to close the gap in life expectancy between residents of St. Joseph and Benton Harbor.

■ Cemetery tours to highlight historical leaders.

Arts and Culture

■ Holding community conversations to determine a future vision for the Lake Michigan College Mendel Center.

■ Exploring the possible placing of a Martin Luther King Jr. statue in the cities of Benton Harbor and St. Joseph.

■ Looking into how to partner the arts communities in the two cities to pursue some joint projects.

■ Promoting a community read of the book "Waking Up White."

■ Possible refurbishment of the Building Bridges With the Arts display on the Bicentennial Bridge between St. Joseph and Benton Harbor.

Anyone interested in getting involved with a focus group or wanting to suggest an initiative should email SocialJustice@stcity.com.

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IN BRIEF

Individual siren tests to start next week

BRIDGMAN — Indiana Michigan Power will conduct separate tests on each of the 70 early warning sirens near the Cook Nuclear Plant during the next three weeks.

Testing will begin Monday and continue 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Friday through the week of Sept. 28.

Unlike the annual spring test, when all sirens run simultaneously, this testing involves sounding each siren individually three to four times for about 30 seconds to obtain readings and make adjustments to ensure proper coverage and reliability. Annual preventive maintenance and battery checks will also be performed.

The sirens are within a 10-mile radius of the plant and would be activated to alert the public to emergency situations. Testing will be suspended during severe weather conditions to avoid confusion with an actual emergency.

For more information, visit www.cookinfo.com. To report a non-working siren near your home, call the Berrien County Emergency Management Office at 983-7111 ext. 4915.

BH mayor, state officials host Voting Matters session

BENTON HARBOR — Benton Harbor Mayor Marcus Muhammad is hosting a virtual listening event with state officials at 6 p.m. Tuesday called "Voting Matters: Your Community, Your Voice."

Joining him in the Zoom meeting will be Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson and Assistant Secretary of State Heaster Wheeler. Benson recently launched the Voting Matters Initiative to reach out to communities with low levels of voter turnout to hear directly from voters and address their needs in preparation for the November election and beyond, according to a news release from the Michigan Department of State.

To RSVP, send an email to Secretary@Michigan.gov and put "Benton Harbor VMI" in the subject line.

COLLEGE

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restaurants, provided waste management services, manufactured Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), operated public transportation, or provided critical police or fire services, among others.

Those without a high school diploma or equivalency are eligible for additional services to help them prepare for and complete their GED before going on to a community college or job training program.

Applications at both LMC and SMC are open now through Dec. 31, with students eligible to start classes in January.

For more information about the program, visit www.Michigan.gov/Frontliners.

To apply at LMC, visit www.lakemichigancollege.edu/frontliners or call 927-6596.

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DO YOU REMEMBER?

1995 – 25 years ago

Hanson Mold of St. Joseph Township recently donated two mills to Lake Michigan College for use in its machine tool lab. "The machines will be used in LMC's machine tool technology program to train tool and die and mold-making apprentices, plus others, in steel-cutting methods," said Patricia Hall, dean of occupational studies. Hanson Mold President Gene Stemm said the contribution will help assure that LMC continues to provide training and education with equipment that is used in the industry.

1985 – 35 years ago

Mrs. Octavia Hawkins, 77, is to be honored Saturday at the Van Buren United Civic Center for her work over a number of years with political, community and religious organizations, as well as individuals. Since moving from Chicago to Covert in 1944, Mrs. Hawkins has devoted most of her time to trying to bring about changes that make stronger communities and better lives for people. She and her husband, Charles, have five children. Mrs. Hawkins said her life and value were greatly influenced by her grandfather and grandmother, who were both born into slavery. Her grandparents believed strongly in freedom, and thought the best way for their children to achieve it was to get an education.

1970 – 50 years ago

The Cavalry returned to South Haven on Saturday. Activation ceremonies for a new enlarged unit of the Michigan National Guard assigned to South Haven armory were held. During the ceremonies, visiting officers of the Guard inspect members and new recruits of the newly-designated Troop C, 1st Squadron of the 238th Cavalry. The South Haven unit was a Cavalry troop from before the start of the 20th century until 1941, when it was designated an armored unit. The new unit has 158 men, including about 70 recruits.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Saturday, Sept. 12, the 256th day of 2020. There are 110 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On Sept. 12, 1962, in a speech at Rice University in Houston, President John F. Kennedy reaffirmed his support for the manned space program, declaring: "We choose to go to the moon in this decade and do the other things, not because they are easy, but because they are hard."

On this date:

In 1913, Olympic legend Jesse Owens was born in Oakville, Ala.

In 1942, during World War II, a German U-boat off West Africa torpedoed the RMS Laconia, which was carrying Italian prisoners of war, British soldiers and civilians; it's estimated more than 1,600 people died while some 1,100 survived after the ship sank. The German crew, joined by other U-boats, began rescue operations. (On September 16, the rescue effort came to an abrupt halt when the Germans were attacked by a U.S. Army bomber; as a result, U-boat commanders were ordered to no longer rescue civilian survivors of submarine attacks.)

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
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Local Outlook

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Sun and Moon

SUNRISE	7:23 A.M.
SUNSET	7:59 P.M.
MOONRISE	1:32 A.M.
MOONSET	5:17 P.M.

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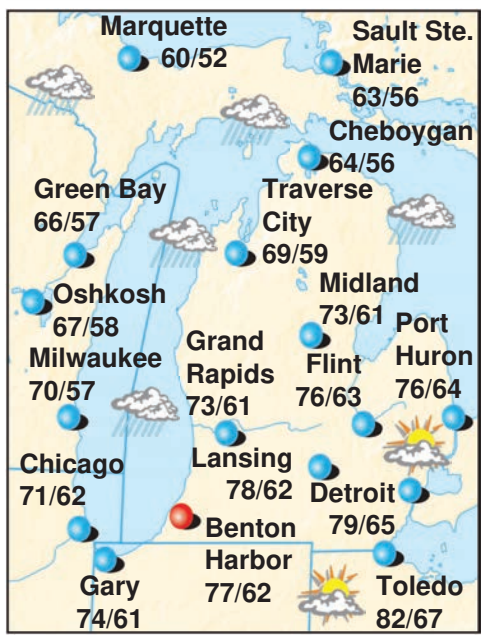
Regional Map



Local Almanac

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Temperature

HIGH	71°
LOW	59°
NORMAL HIGH	76°
NORMAL LOW	55°
RECORD HIGH	97° IN 2013
RECORD LOW	46° IN 1999

PRECIPITATION

YESTERDAY	0.00"
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NORMAL FOR MONTH	1.35"
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NORMAL YEAR TO DATE	26.89"

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Weather Trivia

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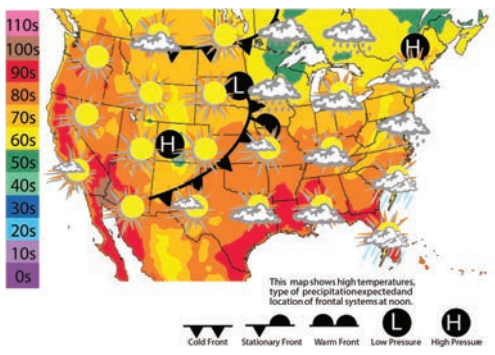
National Weather Map

FORECAST MAP FOR SEPT. 12, 2020



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Lake Michigan

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Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

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Lower Peninsula

TODAY, SKIES WILL BE PARTLY CLOUDY WITH ISOLATED SHOWE 70S. SOUTH SOUTHEAST WIND 5 TO 10 MPH. EXPECT PARTLY SUNDAY WITH SCATTERED SHOWERS, HIGHS IN THE 70S. WE WIND 5 TO 10 MPH.

Postal Service can handle a surge of mail-in ballots, government says

By DAVID YAFFE-BELLANY
Bloomberg News (TNS)

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Postal Service is equipped to handle a surge of mail-in ballots on Election Day, according to government lawyers who are defending operational changes by Postmaster General Louis DeJoy that critics say could undermine the vote tally in November.

In a court filing Friday, the Justice Department urged a federal judge in Washington to block a lawsuit by a coalition of states claiming DeJoy's changes – including the removal of high-speed sorting machines and alterations to how the Postal Service collects mail – will make it harder to count mail-in ballots just as more people use them to avoid in-person voting during the pandemic.

"Nothing has changed in USPS's approach to Election Mail from past years, except that the Postal Service has put in place even more processes to monitor and move these ballots in response to the major increase in Election Mail volume," the DOJ said in its filing.

The coalition of states suing to reverse the changes is led by New York Attorney General Letitia James. Her office declined to comment on the Justice Department's response.

The lawsuit is one of several brought by advocacy groups and state officials who claim DeJoy's changes are intended to help the reelection of President Donald Trump, who has repeatedly argued without evidence that increased use of mail-in ballots will lead to massive voting fraud.

In its response to a similar lawsuit in New York, the Justice Department said this week that the Postal Service has "enhanced" rather than diminished its efforts to ensure the timely delivery of election mail. In another case in the state of Washington, a federal judge last month ordered DeJoy and Trump to start handing over evidence sought by 14 states suing over the changes.

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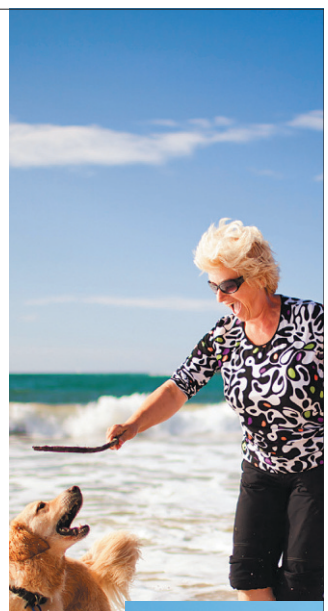

hp SPORTS

Bears, Lions hope to start strong after disappointing year

By LARRY LAGE
Associated Press

DETROIT — The Chicago Bears and Detroit Lions will kick off their seasons in the Motor City, desperately hoping to bounce back from disappointment.

Chicago's quest seems a little less challenging.

The Bears did win eight games last year, but missed the playoffs for the eighth time in nine years. Chicago failed to follow up successfully on coach Matt Nagy's debut season in which he led the franchise to 12 wins and the NFC North title. A shaky offense, ranked No. 29 in the league, was the the Bears' biggest problem.

Quarterback Mitchell Trubisky will have a chance to turn around the offense after holding off 2018 Super Bowl MVP Nick Foles to keep his job.

Nagy insisted he won't be itching to make a change under center, but will if Trubisky isn't helping the team score touchdowns.

"If that time ever comes down the road, it comes, but our focus isn't there," Nagy said.

The Lions, meanwhile, closed 2019 with nine straight setbacks to finish with three victories in the franchise's worst season in a decade. And if general manager Bob Quinn and coach Matt Patrica don't at least help the team contend for a spot in the playoffs, they probably won't be back in 2021.

Detroit hired Cory Undlin as defensive coordinator and added several veterans in the offseason to help a unit that ranked No. 31 in the NFL.

"We know what the Lions were last year, but we're here to change that," said Detroit defensive tackle Nick Williams, who had a career-high six sacks in Chicago last season.

Here are some other things to watch on Sunday at Ford Field:

Detroit debut

Adrian Peterson is expected to be in Detroit's backfield just four days after his first practice with the team.

The four-time All-Pro running back was cut by Washington after rushing for 898 yards last season and chose to reunite with Detroit's offensive coordinator, Darrell Bevell, whom he played for in Minnesota a decade ago.

"I'm excited to be back in the NFC North to play against some familiar foes, including the Vikings twice," Peterson said.

The 35-year-old Peterson is 1,053 yards behind Lions great Barry Sanders for fourth on the NFL career rushing list. It is unclear what his role will be as he shares time in Detroit with running backs Kerryon Johnson, rookie D'Andre Swift and Ty Johnson.

Favorable matchup

The Bears are 4-0 against Detroit under Nagy, who is in his third year of leading an NFL team, as is Patricia.

Trubisky has had a lot to do with tilting the series Chicago's way. He threw three touchdown passes in each of the last three games, which led to three of his top six passer ratings.

The Bears acquired Foles

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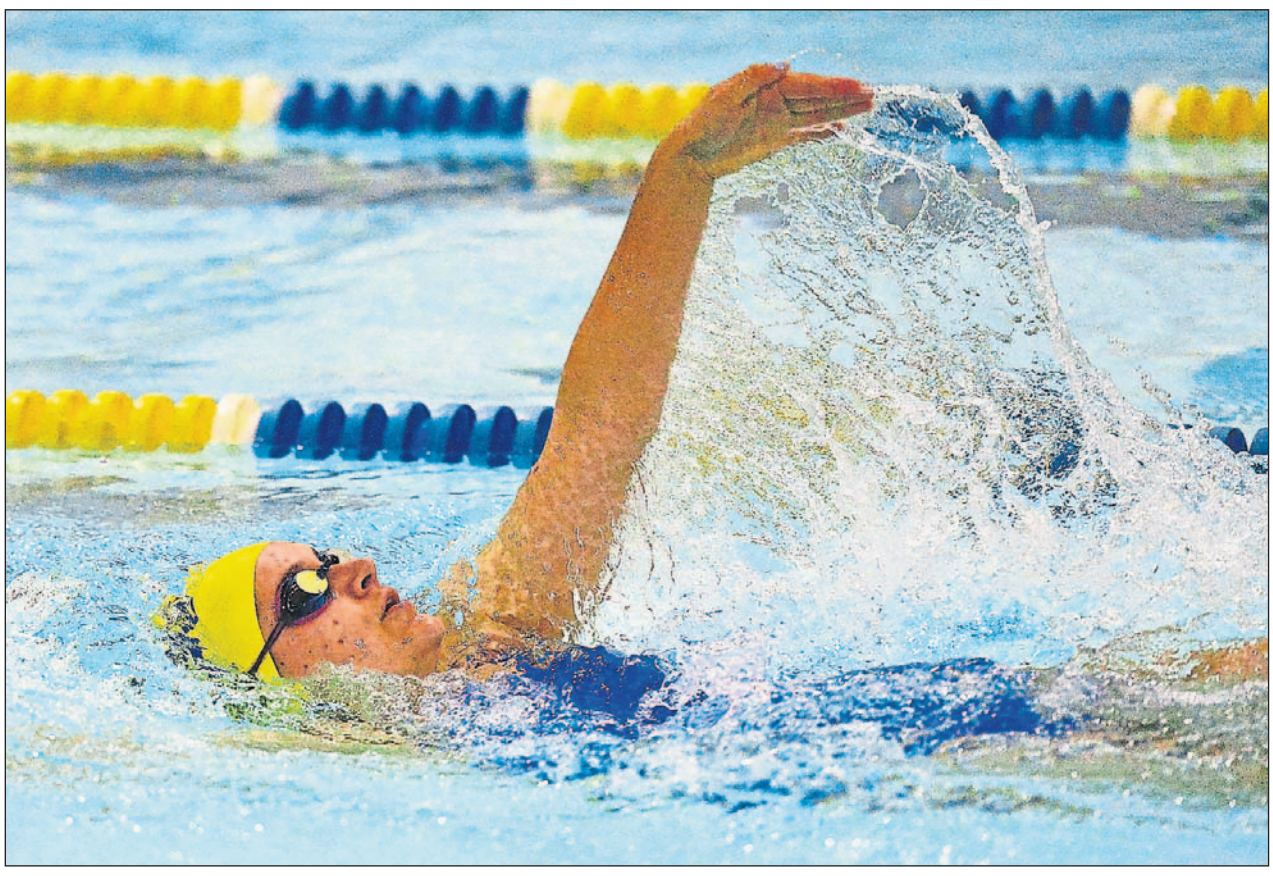

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St. Joseph's Sylvia Park finishes in second place in the 200 IM during a meet against Bridgman last season. Park is a returning state qualifier for the Bears.

Looking to youth

St. Joseph, Bridgman swim teams each return 3 state qualifiers, welcome large freshman classes

By AL AREND
HP Sports Correspondent

St. Joseph and Bridgman girls swimming teams each return several veteran swimmers, but both will be depending on a bevy of underclassmen this season, which was delayed due to the impact of the coronavirus.

"This season has been unusual, we spent summer training at the beach," said Bears coach Janet Beemer, whose squad was 6-6 last season. "We felt lucky to have Lake Michigan."

"We are a young team and just got in the (pool) water so it will take us a bit to figure out how we all work together," stated Bridgman coach Emily Nannfeldt of her co-op team, which represents athletes from six area schools, including Lakeshore. Last season the team finished second in the Southwestern Michigan Athletic Conference with a 7-2 league mark.

Both coaches listed a bevy of freshmen on their rosters, and named Portage Central and Battle Creek Lakeview as SMAC favorites.

St. Joseph

The Bears return three state qualifiers in seniors Sylvia Park (butterfly, breaststroke) and Emma Debkey (freestyle), plus junior Addie Straub (freestyle).

"We have good swimmers for every event, but we lack some depth," noted Beemer. "We are looking to our large freshman class to help with that. This is a great group that is excited to be together and train to swim fast."

Beemer added that all-conference performer Park will lead the team "... as she has every season. I would love to see her take down a record or two."

In addition, other key returners are: seniors Jordon Block (distance, IM), and Ella Ott (IM, breaststroke), juniors Peyton Cloud (sprints, freestyle), Jaclyn Cool (freestyle) and Kennedy Yeager (butterfly).

Returning divers include senior Elise Vogleweed, plus juniors Abby Chichock and Esther Bard, and sophomore Gabrielle Wiskow.

Bridgman

The Bees also return a trio of state qualifiers in senior Jalynn Krieger (100 and 500 freestyle), plus sophomores Audrey Dixon (100 free, 200 IM, 100 backstroke) and Madylin Keigley (butterfly and 50 free).

"I think we will be strong all around," noted coach Nannfeldt. "We hope to still be in the top three of the SMAC.

"Being a co-op program it's a great place to meet new friends," added Nannfeldt. "I love seeing kids from different schools become best friends because of this program."

Other key returnees according to Nannfeldt include: Juniors Lucia Gianni (50 and 100 free) and Ainsley Martin (100 and 200 free), plus sophomores Eden Gray (breaststroke and IM) and Leah Horvath (butterfly and IM).

Returning senior divers include Tatiana Beran, Aurelia Davis, and Lena MacMartin.

Don Campbell / HP staff

Bridgman's Leah Horvath wins the 200 individual medley during a meet against St. Joseph last season. Horvath is a key returning swimmer for the Bees.

Seth Wenig / AP

Victoria Azarenka reacts after defeating Serena Williams in a semifinal match of the US Open on Thursday.

Osaka, Azarenka in U.S. Open final; both eye 3rd Slam trophy

By HOWARD FENDRICH
AP Tennis Writer

NEW YORK — When tennis resumed last month from a five-month hiatus prompted by the coronavirus outbreak, it was impossible to know exactly what to expect.

Turns out Naomi Osaka and Victoria Azarenka have been far and away the two best women in the sport, which is why they will face each other Saturday in the U.S. Open final.

"Honestly," Osaka said, "like, no one remembers anyone but the winner."

She is 10-0 since the sport returned.

Azarenka lost her very first match back but has reeled off 11 consecutive victories since, capped by a 1-6, 6-3, 6-3 elimination of Serena Williams in the semifinals Thursday night.

Osaka and Azarenka were supposed to meet in the final of the Western & Southern Open two weeks ago – that tournament was moved from its usual home in Ohio to Flushing Meadows as part of a two-event "controlled environment" to limit travel during the pandemic – but Osaka withdrew because of an injured left hamstring.

That hasn't hampered her during the U.S. Open, which she won in 2018, then followed up with a title at the 2019 Australian Open.

Osaka and Azarenka both have been playing clean tennis from the baseline. Osaka – whose coach used to work with Azarenka – relies mainly on her big forehand; Azarenka's top stroke is her backhand.

One intriguing element should be Osaka's serving against Azarenka's returning. Osaka ranks No. 2 in the 128-woman field by winning 93 percent of her service games, 65 of 70; Azarenka ranks No. 2 by winning 55 percent of her return games, 31 of 56.

"It's going to be an amazing final. I hope it will be," Azarenka said. "I'll have fun."

In some ways, Osaka right now is where Azarenka was nearly a decade ago: early

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Team state tourney to be held for boys tennis

MHSAA also clarifies guidelines on facial coverings

FROM THE MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

The Executive Committee of the Michigan High School Athletic Association on Thursday approved an adjusted format for this fall's Lower Peninsula boys tennis postseason to reduce the opportunity for spread of COVID-19 while still awarding team and No. 1 singles champions in four divisions.

The Executive Committee – comprised of officers of the larger Representative Council – approved a one-season switch in postseason format that will match full teams in head-to-head competition. The format switch will limit the numbers of teams playing together at a single site.

The postseason will begin with team district one-day tournaments to be played during Oct. 7-10 at 16 sites per division. The district champions will advance to the team finals in Divisions 1-4 to be played over two days during Oct. 15-17. For each division's finals, the first rounds will be played out at four sites before semifinalists converge for the last two rounds.

The following week, during a one-day tournament to be scheduled during Oct. 22-24, 32 No. 1 singles players will compete in bracketed play for the championships in four divisions (eight finalists per division).

Further details will be provided soon on the Boys Tennis page of the MHSAA Website.

Mask requirements

To provide further guidance and clarification after the announcement of Executive Order 180 regarding COVID-19 precautions and athletics by Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer on Wednesday, the Michigan High School Athletic Association on Thursday provided member schools with guidance on the wearing of facial coverings for interscholastic sports.

Following is an excerpt from today's communication sent to member schools on facial coverings:

Here is a summary of current requirements as they relate to fall sports and face coverings in light of the Governor's most recent Executive Order (EO 2020-180). It is the MHSAA's expectation that all members comply with Executive Order 180, which was issued on Sept. 9, and governs social distancing and facial coverings requirements for organized sports. As of Sept. 10:

Face coverings may be worn but student-athletes are not required to do so while in active participation in cross country, golf and tennis. Active participation only applies when an athlete is "in" the game/match/meet/race/competition or is actively involved in any warm-up or cool-down activity. In swimming and diving, there is no requirement of face coverings while preparing to enter the water (and obviously while in the water) but the covering shall be worn at all other times when on-deck or in the facility.

Face coverings are required in football, soccer and volleyball. This includes all times during active participation and all times during non-active participation when six feet of physical distance cannot be maintained.

There are no provisions in EO 180 for medical intolerance reasons or medical waivers. This is not an MHSAA regulation, and thus the MHSAA has no legal authority to waive or modify this Executive Order from the Governor's office.

In both indoor and outdoor practice and training sessions in all regions of the state, this same sport-specific guidance applies.

Consistent with current Executive Orders, face coverings shall be worn by coaches, medical staff, game event staff, media members and spectators. Note that broadcasters and PA announcers are an exception to this requirement when that person is actively broadcasting or announcing. This allows broadcasters

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Clark aces hole at Brookwood

Bob Clark made his first-ever hole-in-one on the No. 4 hole at Brookwood Golf Course on Aug. 31. The shot was witnessed by his league partner Bill Conklin, as well as Thad DeForest and Ed Thomas.

2 Giants-Padres games postponed after positive test

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The game between San Francisco and the San Diego Padres was postponed minutes before the scheduled first pitch Friday night after someone in the Giants organization tested positive for COVID-19.

Saturday night's game at Petco Park also was called off. The teams were scheduled to play through Sunday.

This was the first postponement due to COVID-19 for both teams. There have been 45 major league games postponed this season because of coronavirus concerns.

Millsap helps Nuggets rally, stun Clippers

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — Paul Millsap scored 14 of his 17 points in the third quarter, Michael Porter Jr. made a late 3-pointer and the Denver Nuggets overcame a 15-point, second-half deficit to stun the Los Angeles Clippers 111-105 on Friday night in Game 5.

Denver — down 16 in the first half — trailed 61-46 with 9:42 remaining in the third before rallying behind the 35-year-old Millsap.

The Nuggets took their first lead on Nikola Jokic's 3-pointer with 7:06 left and extended it to eight. After the Clippers pulled within a basket, Porter hit a deep 3-pointer with 1:11 remaining to all but wrap it up.

Jamal Murray finished with 26 points, and Jokic added 22 points and 14 rebounds to help the Nuggets pull to 3-2 in the best-of-seven series. Game 6 is Sunday.

NBA proceeding with tentative Nov. 18 draft plan

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — The NBA is proceeding with tentative plans for a Nov. 18 draft, though has cautioned teams that the date could move yet again, a person with knowledge of the matter told The Associated Press on Friday.

The league told teams earlier in the week that it was working toward that draft date, and moved closer to firming up those plans in meetings with the board of governors and general managers over the past two days.

So, Nov. 18 becomes the third target for the draft. It was originally set for June 25, then moved to Oct. 16, and now has been pushed back again.

Buffalo player charged in stabbing

NORTH TONAWANDA, N.Y. (AP) — A University at Buffalo basketball player was charged Friday with assault and weapons possession after stabbing a rival player during an off-campus pickup scrimmage, officials said.

Malik Zachery, a junior, is accused of stabbing a Canisius College player in the leg in a church gym in the Buffalo suburb of North Tonawanda on Wednesday.

The first patrol officers to respond put a tourniquet on the wounded player's leg to control the bleeding before he was treated at a hospital.

Police said players from the two Buffalo colleges were playing a pickup game when a fight broke out and the unidentified player was stabbed.

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Hamlin seeks to regain NASCAR mojo at Richmond in home track race

By JENNA FRYER
AP Auto Racing Writer

Kevin Harvick grabbed the first win of NASCAR's playoffs while rival Denny Hamlin finished a distant 13th. Disgusted with his finish, Hamlin threw his water bottle in anger.

"I was so mad. I hate not finishing where I should finish or run," Hamlin said. "I'm such a competitor, I want to win every week. I look at the top five and for 95 percent of the race we outran those guys and they go steal a win or a top five. It's just so frustrating for me."

The mediocre finish at Darlington Raceway didn't harm Hamlin in the standings and he is still ranked second headed into Richmond Raceway for the second round of the playoffs. Hamlin has enough playoff points to easily advance into the next round.

He didn't want to hear about the playoff points after Darlington.

"I just want to win every week," Hamlin said. "We have this playoff cushion because we earned it during the regular season. It doesn't make me get over it."

The race Saturday night will be at his home track, where he has three career victories and 17 top-10 finishes in 27 career starts. He has finished lower than sixth only once in the last nine races at Richmond yet believes he long ago lost the edge he held over his competitors on the 0.75-mile, D-shaped oval.

Hamlin believes data sharing has allowed his rivals to catch him at his favorite track.

"Basically I left my notebook on top of the car and it spread all over the racetrack and every driver picked it up," Hamlin said. "(Data sharing's) been a benefit for me at other racetracks. But certainly I felt like when I went to Richmond, went to Martinsville, I had a tremendous advantage over the field. Not an unfair advantage, just a skill advantage.

"The way I drove those racetracks helped me perform and when other drivers got to see that, it really kind of opened things up and it took away any advantage that I might have on the driver side. Now we've had to rely on just putting a better race car on the racetrack than them, which is very, very difficult."

Interim crew chiefs

Reigning series champion Kyle Busch and Clint Bowyer will both have interim crew chiefs at Richmond after inspection infractions at Darlington.

Greg Zipadelli, the competition director at Stewart-Haas Racing and a former championship-winning crew chief, will fill in for Bowyer. Busch will be led by Jacob Canter, an engineer on his Joe Gibbs Racing team.

It shouldn't be a difficult adjustment, Busch explained, because of "war rooms" teams established during the pandemic. Because NASCAR has strict roster limits at the track, teams have already been utilizing off-site command centers to communicate with engineers.

No hard feelings

Chase Elliott and Martin Truex Jr. quickly moved past their on-track incident at Darlington that cost both a chance at the victory.

Truex was trying to pass Elliott for the lead late in the race when he failed to fully clear Elliott and the two cars made contact. Truex had to pit for repairs and Elliott was chased down by Harvick, who won the race.

Both drivers understood there was no ill intent and move forward to Richmond with their relationship intact.

"I do think that situation was a racing incident. I think we were both battling really hard for a win," Elliott said.

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25-4, 25-7, 25-11

Hartford – K. Burfield 2 kills, 2 blocks; A. Snodgrass 1 kill, 2 blocks; K. McCoy 1 kill, 2 blocks; K. Manning 2 assists; M. Pultz 2 assists, 2 digs; M. Requenes 1 block, 5 digs; K. Johnson 2 digs; B. Truelove 2 aces.

BOYS SOCCER

Thursday's results

ST. JOSEPH 6, BC LAKEVIEW 0

Goals – Jacob Scouler 2, Jack Pender 2, Lars Razor, Nick Strickler.
Assists – Seth Walters 2, Razor, Pender.
Halftime – St. Joseph 4-0.
Records – St. Joseph 2-0 SMAC, 2-0; BC Lakeview 0-1, 0-1.

THREE RIVERS 3, COLOMA 0

Goals – Kaleb Salinas 3.
Shots – Three Rivers 18, Coloma 3.
Saves – Wes Seabury (C) 15.
Halftime – Three Rivers 1-0.
Record – Coloma 1-1.

GIRLS GOLF

MARSHALL INVITATIONAL

at Marshall Country Club

Team scores – 1. St. Joseph 369, 2. Gull Lake 371, 3. Mason 383, 4. Coldwater 386, 5. Charlotte 388, 6. Portage Northern 397, 7. Lakeshore 438, 8. Portage Central 443, 9. Olivet 492. No team score: Marshall, BC Lakeview.
Medalist – Maya Hunter (SJ) 79 (won sudden-death playoff with birdie).
St. Joseph – Maya Hunter 79, Izzy Ugalde 90, Gracie Thomas 95, Morgan Guzzo 105.
Lakeshore – Lydia Bixby 108, Claire Gourlay 109, Armella Heppler 110, Elle Winkelmann 111.

KVA JAMBOREE

at States Golf Club, Schoolcraft

Team scores – 1. Kal. Hackett 170, 2. South Haven 197, 3. Schoolcraft 207, 4. Niles 215, 5. Kal. Christian 217, 6. Comstock 224. No team score: Michigan Lutheran.
Medalist – Meg Christian (KH) 39.
South Haven – Sydney Barnes 44, Abby Bocock 49, Hannah Kaczmarek 51, Jenna Ridley 53.
Lutheran – Josey VanderMarkt 44, Dori Schutt 125.

SCOREBOARD

MLB

American League
At A Glance
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Tampa Bay	29	16	.644	—
Toronto	24	20	.545	4½
New York	23	21	.523	5½
Baltimore	20	23	.465	8
Boston	16	30	.348	13½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	27	16	.628	—
Minnesota	27	18	.600	1
Cleveland	26	18	.591	1½
Detroit	20	23	.465	7
Kansas City	17	28	.378	11

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	27	15	.643	—
Houston	22	23	.489	6½
Seattle	19	24	.442	8½
Los Angeles	18	27	.400	10½
Texas	15	28	.349	12½

Thursday's Games
St. Louis 12, Detroit 2, 7 innings, 1st game
Oakland 3, Houston 1
L.A. Angels 6, Texas 2
Detroit 6, St. Louis 3, 7 innings, 2nd game
Kansas City 11, Cleveland 1
Boston 4, Tampa Bay 3
Baltimore at N.Y. Yankees, ppd.
Friday's Games
N.Y. Yankees 6, Baltimore 0, 7 innings, 1st game
N.Y. Mets 17, Toronto 1
Tampa Bay 11, Boston 1
Baltimore at N.Y. Yankees, 2nd game
Oakland at Texas
Pittsburgh at Kansas City
Cleveland at Minnesota
Detroit at Chicago White Sox
L.A. Angels at Colorado
Seattle at Arizona
Saturday's Games
Baltimore (TBD) at N.Y. Yankees (Montgomery 2-2), 1:05 p.m.
Oakland (TBD) at Texas (Allard 0-5), 5:05 p.m., 1st game
N.Y. Mets (Lugo 2-2) at Toronto (TBD), 6:37 p.m.
Boston (Eovaldi 2-2) at Tampa Bay (Glasnow 2-1), 6:40 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Williams 1-6) at Kansas City (Hernández 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Detroit (Fulmer 0-1) at Chicago White Sox (López 0-2), 7:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Plesac 3-1) at Minnesota (TBD), 8:07 p.m.
Houston (Valdez 3-3) at L.A. Dodgers (Gonsolin 0-1), 8:07 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Barria 0-0) at Colorado (Freeland 2-1), 8:10 p.m.
Seattle (Sheffield 2-3) at Arizona (TBD), 8:10 p.m.
Oakland (TBD) at Texas (TBD), 8:35 p.m., 2nd game
Sunday's Games
Baltimore at N.Y. Yankees, 1:05 p.m.
Boston at Tampa Bay, 1:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Kansas City, 2:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Minnesota, 2:10 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago White Sox, 2:10 p.m.
Oakland at Texas, 2:35 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Toronto, 3:07 p.m.
L.A. Angels at Colorado, 3:10 p.m.
Seattle at Arizona, 4:10 p.m.
Houston at L.A. Dodgers, 8:08 p.m.

National League
At A Glance
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	26	18	.591	—
Philadelphia	22	19	.537	2½
Miami	20	20	.500	4
New York	21	24	.467	5½
Washington	16	26	.381	9

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	26	19	.578	—
St. Louis	19	18	.514	3
Milwaukee	19	22	.463	5
Cincinnati	19	25	.432	6½
Pittsburgh	14	27	.341	10

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	32	13	.711	—
San Diego	29	17	.630	3½
San Francisco	23	22	.511	9
Colorado	20	23	.465	11
Arizona	16	29	.356	16

Thursday's Games
St. Louis 12, Detroit 2, 7 innings, 1st game
Detroit 6, St. Louis 3, 7 innings, 2nd game
Atlanta 7, Washington 6
Miami 7, Philadelphia 6
San Diego 6, San Francisco 1
Chicago Cubs 8, Cincinnati 5
Arizona 5, L.A. Dodgers 2
Friday's Games
N.Y. Mets 17, Toronto 1
Philadelphia 11, Miami 0, 7 innings, 1st game
Atlanta at Washington
Pittsburgh at Kansas City
Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee
Cincinnati at St. Louis
Philadelphia at Miami, 2nd game
L.A. Angels at Colorado
San Francisco at San Diego, ppd.
Seattle at Arizona
Saturday's Games
Atlanta (Anderson 2-0) at Washington (Corbin 2-4), 6:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Wheeler 4-0) at Miami (Ureña 0-0), 6:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Lugo 2-2) at Toronto (TBD), 6:37 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Williams 1-6) at Kansas City (Hernández 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 5-4) at Milwaukee (Anderson 2-3), 7:10 p.m.
Houston (Valdez 3-3) at L.A. Dodgers (Gonsolin 0-1), 8:07 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Barria 0-0) at Colorado (Freeland 2-1), 8:10 p.m.
Seattle (Sheffield 2-3) at Arizona (TBD), 8:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (TBD) at St. Louis (TBD), 8:15 p.m.
San Francisco (Gausman 3-2) at San Diego (Lamet 2-1), 9:10 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Atlanta at Washington, 12:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at Miami, 1:10 p.m., 1st game
Pittsburgh at Kansas City, 2:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee, 2:10 p.m.
Cincinnati at St. Louis, 2:15 p.m.
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Philadelphia at Miami, 4:40 p.m., 2nd game
Houston at L.A. Dodgers, 8:08 p.m.

NBA

Conference Semifinals
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
Thursday, Sept. 10
L.A. Lakers 110, Houston 100, Lakers lead series 3-1
Friday, Sept. 11
Denver 111, L.A. Clippers 105, L.A. Clippers lead series 3-2.
Boston vs. Toronto
Saturday, Sept. 12
Houston vs. L.A. Lakers, 9 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 13
x-L.A. Clippers vs. Denver, 1 p.m.

NHL

Conference Finals
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
Wednesday, Sept. 9
Tampa Bay 2, N.Y. Islanders 1, Tampa Bay leads series 2-0
Thursday, Sept. 10
Dallas 3, Las Vegas 2, OT, Dallas leads series 2-1
Friday, Sept. 11
N.Y. Islanders 5, Tampa Bay 3. Tampa Bay leads series 3-1.
Saturday, Sept. 12
Las Vegas vs. Dallas, 8 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 13
Tampa Bay vs. N.Y. Islanders, 3 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

Major League Baseball
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Activated RHP Alex Cobb from the 10-day IL.
NEW YORK YANKEES — Recalled RHP Brooks Kriske from alternate training site.
National League
LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Activated LF Joe Pederson from the paternity list. Optioned 1B Matt Beaty to alternate training site.

NFL

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from Jacksonville for a fourth-round pick in the hopes he would at least contend for the starting job. Receiver Allen Robinson, though, wasn't surprised Trubisky will start Week 1.

"When you put in the work, you get the results," Robinson said. "And I saw a lot of the work that he put in from February, March and even some probably before that."

Parental support

Detroit will not have fans at its first two home because of the COVID-19 pandemic, but the parents of Lions tight end T.J. Hockenson are still coming to town.

"They're doing the same routine," Hockenson said. "They're going to hang out, do the whole thing and watch the game at my house. It's always nice to be around family on game day."

Dominant defense

The Bears' defense has ranked among the best the past few years. The Monsters of the Midway were not quite as dominant last season, but Nagy insisted Chicago "absolutely" has the best defense in the league.

The Bears signed outside linebacker Robert Quinn to take some attention away from star Khalil Mack, who had 8 ½ sacks last season after four straight years in double digits. The 30-year-old Quinn had 11 ½ sacks for Dallas last season and has 80 1-2 over his career.

"There's a mentality to defense where it's just this chaos," Nagy said. "It's ruthless, not reckless. So when you have leaders like we have on this defense and we have guys that don't say a whole lot, they're just ready to go cut it loose."

On the move

The Lions are giving three players a shot to play a new position. Return specialist Jamal Agnew is adding depth at wide receiver after being a backup defensive back. Jason Cabinda has been converted from a linebacker to fullback. Matt Nelson, a former Iowa defensive lineman, earned a spot on the team as an offensive lineman.

MHSAA

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and announcers to remove the face covering while performing those speaking duties but should wear the face covering at all other times.

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The MHSAA will attempt to assist schools in understanding these requirements but know the MHSAA has no authority to waive, ignore or modify Executive Orders for any reason.

OPEN

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20s, already been ranked No. 1, already a two-time Grand Slam champion.

"Her success came pretty quick, right? Suddenly she came from, like, a very promising player to this extremely successful player. Won two Slams in a row, was thinking maybe three or four in a row. She was winning almost everything" said Osaka's coach, Wim Fissette, who used to work with Azarenka. "That's obviously a moment that you're young and you feel like maybe you're invincible, unbeatable. Maybe you take things a little bit for granted. I think that could be a big mistake because it sets the expectations too high."

On Saturday, Osaka, 22, will be trying to collect her third championship from the past seven major tournaments – and Azarenka, who is 31, will be in her first Slam title match since 2013 in New York. She won the Australian Open in 2012 and 2013 and lost to Williams in the U.S. Open finals both years.

Speaking about those long ago days, Azarenka described herself this way: "I was young. My ego was way too big."

Asked to elaborate, she said, "When you're coming up from kind of nothing, then you become a No. 1 player in the world, sometimes you can start to think you're invincible and that you're better than everybody. And it's not true. So the ego starts to grow. It's very hurtful when it gets damaged. So instead of getting the ego damaged, I tried to remove that and learn from my mistakes ... realizing, maturing, that being a tennis player doesn't make you better or worse than anybody else, that you're still human."

She left the tour for a bit to become a mother; her 3-year-old son, Leo, has been staying with her at a private home on Long Island during these past two tournaments. There have been some rough patches on court recently, including going a calendar year without a match win until her current streak.

"She's had a lot of, I would say, downs in her career. She started on a lot of highs," said Williams, a good friend of Azarenka's. "I don't know how she stayed positive, to be honest. That's a good lesson for all of us. No matter what, you've just got to keep going. Hopefully she keeps living her dream."

Seth Wenig / AP

Alexander Zverev reacts after defeating Pablo Carreno Busta during a men's semifinal match of the U.S. Open on Friday.

Zverev erases 2-set deficit at U.S. Open for 1st Slam final

By HOWARD FENDRICH
AP Tennis Writer

NEW YORK — For two full sets, Alexander Zverev was confused and listless, his body language as poor as his winner-to-error ratio against Pablo Carreño Busta in the U.S. Open semifinals Friday.

Zverev double-faulted and smacked his left high. He put a backhand into the net to cede the opening set and covered his face with both hands. He netted a forehand early in the next set – part of a stretch in which he dropped nine points in a row and 17 of 19 – then turned a forlorn face toward his guest box and put his palms up.

When he pushed a backhand long after 1 hour, 25 minutes of play and shook his head, Zverev trailed by two sets, a deficit the 23-year-old German never had overcome. Never had been to a Grand Slam final, either. Done and done. Zverev constructed quite a comeback, getting his game in gear to beat a fading Carreño Busta 3-6, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-3 and reach the title match at Flushing Meadows.

"Mentally, I stayed in it. ... A lot of players would have gone away," Zverev said. "There's no easy matches anymore. Sometimes you have to dig deep. Today I dug deep, dug very deep."

Zverev is the first man to win a U.S. Open semifinal after a 2-0 set deficit since Novak Djokovic did it against Roger Federer in 2011 – and, keeping good company, he's also the youngest male finalist at any major tournament since Djokovic was 23 in New York in 2010.

Zverev, the No. 5 seed, will play No. 2 Dominic Thiem or No. 3 Daniil Medvedev for the championship Sunday.

It had been 16 years since Grand Slam semifinals were held without at least one of Federer, Djokovic or Rafael Nadal involved.

Nadal chose not to try to defend his title in New York because of the coronavirus pandemic; Federer is out for the rest of 2020 after two knee operations; Djokovic's tournament ended at 6-5 in the first set of his fourth-round match against Carreño Busta when the No. 1 seed and title favorite unintentionally hit a line judge in the throat with a ball after getting broken.

None of the semifinalists owns a Grand Slam trophy yet.

Zverev has been considered likely to grab one, given his success at other events and all of the talent in his 6-foot-6 (1.98-meter) frame.

His first trip to a major semifinal came in January at the Australian Open, where he was eliminated by Thiem.

Now he's gone a step further. Didn't look like he would in the early going Friday in a mostly silent and empty Arthur Ashe Stadium, where spectators are barred because of the coronavirus pandemic.

A day after a pair of well-played and competitive women's semifinals – won by Naomi Osaka and Victoria Azarenka, who face each other Saturday for the championship – Carreño Busta vs. Zverev offered little in the way of those characteristics for two sets.

"A big opportunity," Carreño Busta called it.

That was primarily Zverev's fault. He was tentative, unsure of himself, willing to stay back and leisurely exchange groundstrokes from the back of the court.

It was an inadvisable strategy against a human wall like the 20th-seeded Carreño Busta, who might not do much spectacularly but certainly does everything solidly.

It's not as if Carreño Busta was impeccable. Yes, his forehand was working well, and he wasn't making many mistakes. But one indication of his own uneven play: Carreño Busta was broken the first time he served for the opening set, and again the first time he served for the next.

But Zverev simply kept missing the mark, even on neutral balls. Half of Carreño Busta's first 72 points came via unforced errors off Zverev's racket. Eventually, though, things got more interesting, both because Zverev became a bit more aggressive and because he finally calibrated his shots correctly.

Korda rides hot putter in the desert to early 36-hole lead

By DOUG FERGUSON
AP Golf Writer

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. — The numbers suggested a stress-free time in the desert for Nelly Korda, who had five birdies and a clean card Friday for a 5-under 67 to build a two-shot lead going into the hot weekend at the ANA Inspiration.

All she could think about were two pars.

The only fairway she missed was on her 11th hole, the par-5 second, and she was badly out of position the entire way until making an 18-foot par putt to escape her big mess. One hole later, after hitting a fat shot from the fairway, she again had to make a par putt from some 25 feet.

"I did not know what I was doing on those two holes," Korda said. "I was happy those two went in. Golf is just all about momentum, so you roll one in here and there and it just makes it a lot easier."

It only figures to get harder from here.

Korda was at 11-under 133, two shots clear of Mirim Lee, who also played bogey-free in the rising heat for a 65. Joining them in the final group is a daunting figure in these parts, Lexi Thompson, a past champion at Mission Hills who can overpower the Dinah Shore course.

Thompson made up ground quickly with three birdies in a four-hole stretch at the start of her round, including a 4-iron from 220 yards to 6 feet on the par-5 second (she missed the eagle putt) and a 9-iron from 164 yards on the par-3 fifth that led to a 15-foot birdie.

With the tee moved up on the par-5 18th, she swung for the fences and nearly pulled it into the lake, saved by the September date because the ball sinks instead of rolls in the Bermuda rough. She settled for par and a 67 to finish four shots behind, along with Nanna Koertz Madsen (69).

"I left a few out there, but also I made a lot of good putts," Thompson said.

Danielle Kang looked poised to join the chase, a big week because she is projected to reach No. 1 in the world with a victory. Her momentum was slowed by bugs, a brick wall and a bridge.

Kang came in too steep on a wedge from the 10th fairway and was 10 feet short of the green. She opted to use her putter, but backed off three times from bugs flying around her face. Then, she left it 7 feet short and missed the par putt. She stalked to the back of the green, clearly annoyed, and it didn't help when she and Anna Nordqvist were put on the clock.

Kang was out of sorts, quickly walking after missed putts. On the 15th, she pulled her tee shot near a wall, and after asking if she could get relief – it was a boundary wall, so no – she hit into the wall trying to get it back to the fairway. It went only about 10 yards, and she had to scramble for bogey.

And then on the 18th, her approach ran through the green and just onto the carpet-lined bridge across Poppie's Pond. She pitched off the bridge to 6 feet and missed the birdie putt for a 71. She was six shots back, still in the mix.

Korda, however, has looked solid. Thompson's name on the board stands out given her power and record at Mission Hills.

Korda hit 13 fairways, not the most difficult task with the lush Bermuda grass cutting back how much the ball rolls. More impressive was missing only four greens, and taking 26 putts on greens already sun-baked and fast.

"Definitely very happy with my putting today, and I was superbly happy with bogey-free," she said.

She picked up two birdies on the par 3s on the back nine and looked like she might give those shots back when she tugged her tee shot on No. 2. She considered taking a drop from the cart path until realizing she would be thick rough, so she hit 4-hybrid some 30 yards out to the right, leaving her no angle.

Trump's payroll tax cut is really a loan employees have to pay back

Michelle Singletary

President Donald Trump brags about his payroll tax cut. But money-smart employees see it for what it is: a loan.

With Congress deadlocked on another stimulus package, Trump decided what workers need most is a break from paying the payroll tax that funds Social Security.

On Aug. 8, he issued a memo directing Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin to allow employers to temporarily suspend the collection of payroll taxes for any employee whose pretax wages or compensation during a biweekly pay period is less than $4,000. An individual's status could vary from one period to the next depending on earnings, but workers earning more than $104,000 annually are not eligible.

The tax deferral is to last from Sept. 1 until the end of the year, according to guidance the Treasury and IRS issued last month following the executive order. It spares many employees from paying 6.2 percent of their income toward Social Security, which covers retirement, survivor and disability benefits.

Here's the problem with this ill-conceived tax holiday.

Employers have to start recouping the deferred payroll taxes between Jan. 1 and April 30, 2021. This means taking out double the normal tax. If, for whatever reason, the money isn't forwarded to the IRS, interest and penalties begin to accrue on any unpaid taxes starting May 1.

While workers will have extra money now, it's just a short-term and temporary infusion of cash that needs to be paid back unless Congress eventually forgives the debt. And that's a bet I would not place given the current political environment. If people are struggling now, how will they be able to afford to pay twice the payroll tax four months from now, and right after the holidays?

Although many private-sector employers have rightly elected to skip this optional tax deferral, the Trump administration has refused to allow federal employees or members of the military to opt out.

"We're hearing from people who don't want this," said Tony Reardon, national president of the National Treasury Employees Union.

A number of federal employees are upset and wonder how to make up for the double taxation – which they can't opt out of – that they'll be subject to next year.

"All Federal Civilian Payroll Providers will act in unison. As such, no Payroll Providers, Departments/Agencies, nor employees will be able to opt-in/opt-out of the deferral," according to an email obtained by The Washington Post. The message went to employees of an agency serviced by payroll processor Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS).

The email also said employees are still liable for the deferred tax should they leave federal civilian employment. The elimination of the withholding takes effect in the pay period ending Sept. 12, the DFAS email said.

"The payroll tax deferral is mandatory at our agency and affects a huge number of workers," emailed one federal employee, who works at the Defense Department and was granted anonymity because of the sensitivity of the topic. "As far as I can see, it is really idiotic, costs a lot of money to the government, and doesn't help anyone. It is an unnecessary hassle."

Workers are wondering if they should increase their withholdings so that enough money is taken out of their paychecks to cover the deferred payroll tax. Financial professionals advise against this strategy.

"Increasing federal tax withholding is not necessarily the best idea," said Eric Bronnenkant, head of tax at online financial adviser Betterment. "The government is loaning individuals money at 0 percent, and then individuals would effectively be loaning the money back to the government at 0 percent."

Additionally, when you over-withhold, you have to wait to get the money back as a tax refund.

"You'd have to file your Form 1040 to get the additional federal withholding back, and the timing wouldn't work," says Edward Karl, vice president of taxation for the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. "Additionally, if you stopped working for the employer, the employer may seek to recover the deferred tax immediately."

For federal employees, it wouldn't be effective anyway, because the collection of the deferred taxes will be taken from their wages in the first part of 2021, according to a separate notice from DFAS.

If you can't opt-out, the better strategy is to figure out how much extra you're getting as a result of the payroll deferral, and set that money aside as savings.

"People who cannot afford the extra tax in 2021 out of normal earnings should be setting aside the extra funds received currently in a savings account to be drawn down on during the first four months of 2021 to avoid being in a position to need to fund normal life expenses with high-interest credit card debt or personal loans," Bronnenkant said.

The payroll deferral is all about the optics of appearing to provide meaningful covid-related financial assistance. This directive just shifts a burden forward.

"This scheme is not helpful," Reardon said. "To the extent that they are helped in 2020, they are hurt in 2021."

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Ask the Fool

Low- or High-Priced Stock?

Q As a new investor, I wonder: Is it better to buy stocks under $20 per share, like Fitbit, or higher-priced stocks such as Sherwin-Williams (recently near $680 per share), that have been around longer and have good track records? It seems you could buy a lot more shares in lower-priced stocks and make more money. — *John S., online*

A You need to separate the price of the stock from the rest of your thinking. The price doesn't matter all that much — unless it's below around $5 per share, in which case you're probably looking at a risky "penny stock." Understand that huge, old companies can have low share prices: Wells Fargo stock was recently near $25. Younger companies can have high share prices: Amazon.com shares were recently near $3,300 apiece.

Furthermore, a $20 stock may be grossly overvalued and likely to fall, while a $300 stock may be a great bargain, destined to hit $900 in a few years and $2,000 after that. Focus on each company's fundamentals; study it to determine if it's healthy and growing, and if it's trading at a reasonable, or even low, price. Don't worry about the number of shares you buy, either — you can double or triple a $1,000 investment whether you buy a single $1,000 share or 100 $10 shares.

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Q What's a 529 plan? — *B.H., Orem, Utah*

A It's a tax-advantaged, usually state-based account you can set up to save for educational expenses such as college. You don't have to use your own state's plan, either — you can research other states' offerings and choose the best plan for you. Learn more at **SavingforCollege.com** and **CollegeSavings.org**.

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What's Your Investing Strategy?

For best results when investing, don't just buy or sell whatever you fancy on a whim, following hot tips, hunches, media mentions or your emotions. Instead, read up on investing, consider your situation, develop a strategy and then stick to it.

Begin by learning about various investments so that you understand their risks and possible returns. (The "Investing Basics" drop-down menu at Fool.com is a good place to start.) For example, stocks tend to be more volatile than bonds, but they outperform bonds handily over long periods. And you shouldn't expect more than an average annual growth rate of 8% to 10% in stocks over the long term, though higher (or lower) rates are possible over shorter periods. Read up on great investors, too, and learn about different investing styles, such as growth investing and value investing.

Think about these questions as you mull how you want to invest:

- What's your investing time frame? When you buy stocks, you should only invest money you won't need for five years or more.
- How involved will you be? If you're going to learn to study stocks and then follow your holdings regularly, great. If not, consider simple, low-fee, broad-market index funds, such as those that track the S&P 500 or the entire stock market.
- How risk-tolerant are you? Bank accounts and certificates of deposit (CDs) are low-risk, but they won't grow your money briskly; they may not even outpace inflation. Stocks are riskier, but some less so than others, and sticking with solid, established, dividend-paying companies can lower your risk.
- How will you invest? Will you use dollar-cost averaging, contributing a set amount regularly to one or more investments? Will you favor large blue-chip companies, or look for smaller and possibly faster-growing ones? Will you diversify across different industries and different kinds of companies? Will you look for undervalued stocks? How many stocks will you aim to own?

My Smartest Investment

Valuing Greatness

My smartest investment was buying shares of cloud-based communications specialist Twilio at $25 each. The company looked like it had great people, great values and great innovative services. — *T.C.S., online*

The Fool Responds: A combination of great people, values and innovations — that's a terrific start to finding a solid investment. You always want sound management, and while that can be hard to evaluate, you can start by reading some of management's annual letters to shareholders to get a sense of how candid and communicative they're being. Twilio CEO Jeff Lawson has spoken at length about the company's values, and its website lists 10 of them, such as "Wear the customer's shoes" and "No shenanigans."

Innovation can help a company succeed as it responds to a changing marketplace. Innovation can even help it change the marketplace itself, such as when Apple introduced the iPod. It's exciting when you spot companies innovating at this level, but don't buy into them at any price; aim to buy them when they seem undervalued. Twilio stock, recently trading near $240 per share, has risen sharply in a few years, and bulls expect much more long-term growth. Bears see the stock as overvalued, though, and point out that the young enterprise is not yet profitable: Its revenue is growing rapidly, but it's plowing its cash into further growth. (The Motley Fool owns shares of and has recommended Twilio.)

The Motley Fool Take

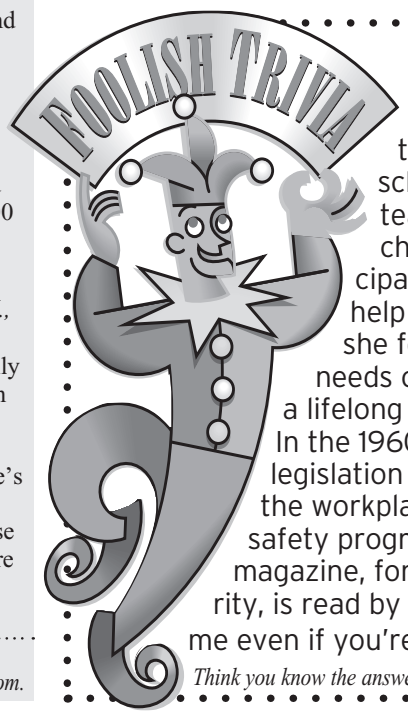
Snack on This Stock

If you're looking for a resilient investment during this pandemic, consider PepsiCo (NASDAQ: PEP). It's not simply a beverage company, as many people assume; it also owns the Frito-Lay family of snacks and the Quaker Foods business. In fiscal 2019, PepsiCo generated 46% of its revenue from beverages and 54% from foods. It's also very much a global company, with 42% of revenue coming from outside the U.S. in fiscal 2019.

To grasp just how dominant PepsiCo is in the food and beverage business, check out some of its brands: Pepsi-Cola, Lay's, Doritos, Aquafina, Mountain Dew, Gatorade, Pure Leaf, Tropicana, Quaker Oats, Brisk, Smartfood, Ruffles, Cheetos, Fritos, Tostitos, Rold Gold, Funyuns, Life cereal, Cracker Jack, Rice-A-Roni, Sierra Mist, 7UP, Naked, Near East, and Walkers. Fully 23 of its brands each generate more than $1 billion in annual revenue.

PepsiCo isn't resting on its laurels. It's boosting its popular energy-drink offerings, and it's building a direct-to-consumer revenue channel via its PantryShop.com and Snacks.com websites.

PepsiCo's dividend recently yielded almost 3%, and that payout has been increased annually for 48 consecutive years. (The most recent increase was 7%.) The company's market value was recently around $190 billion, and its forward-looking price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio was recently in the mid-20s; these suggest that it's not a screaming bargain, but it's not wildly overpriced, either.



Name That Company

I trace my roots back to the 1940s, when a retired high school principal met a retired teacher living in poverty in a chicken coop. After the principal formed an organization to help retired teachers, in 1958 she founded me to address the needs of all older people. I launched a lifelong learning institute in 1963. In the 1960s, I successfully pushed for legislation banning age discrimination in the workplace. In 1979, I launched driver-safety programs for older drivers. My magazine, formerly called Modern Maturity, is read by tens of millions. You can join me even if you're younger than 50. Who am I?

Think you know the answer? We'll announce it in next week's edition.

LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA ANSWER

I trace my roots back to 1972, when two guys noticed a storage business that had a waiting list for customers. They invested $25,000 each and opened a storage facility in California – and agreed to keep opening more facilities until there was no more demand. Today, based in Glendale, California, I boast more than 2,500 locations, and I'm still growing. I'm the world's largest owner, operator and developer of self-storage facilities, with a market value recently near $36 billion. I serve about 1.5 million customers, with roughly 1 million moving in or out of units annually. Who am I? (Answer: Public Storage)

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The two costs that can make or break your nest egg

Liz Weston

If you earn a decent income but have trouble saving, the culprits could be the roof over your head and the car in your driveway.

Retirement savers who contribute more to their 401(k)s often spend less on housing and transportation than their peers, according to a study by the Employee Benefit Research Institute and J.P. Morgan Asset Management.

Better savers also spend less on food and drink, but housing and transportation are bigger expenses that tend to be less flexible. Once you commit to a place to live and a car payment, you're typically stuck with those expenses for a while.

"It may be decisions that you're making as you are building your life that will ultimately crowd out saving for retirement," says Katherine Roy, chief retirement strategist for J.P. Morgan Asset Management.

The researchers divided 10,000 households into three groups: the 25 percent who contributed the least to their retirement plans, the 25 percent who contributed the most, and the "middle savers" whose contributions landed them in the middle 50 percent. High savers, not surprisingly, had higher incomes than the other two groups. Middle and low savers had similar incomes, but middle savers contributed about 5 percent at the start of their careers while the low savers contributed about 2 percent.

That 3 percentage-point difference in contributions is largely attributable to the lower savers spending more on housing, transportation, and food and beverage, the researchers found. By retirement age, middle savers had accumulated savings equal to twice their salaries. Low savers had accumulated about half as much.

A 'beater' truck and a fat 401(k)

Driving older vehicles and owning a modest home are the top two sacrifices cited in a study of Principal Financial Group customers ages 20 to 54 who contribute big chunks of their income to retirement accounts.

One of those savers is Erryn Ross, 30, of Tigard, Oregon. For several years after college, the accounts receivable coordinator lived at home and drove a "beater" truck, a hand-me-down from his dad. By the time he was ready to replace the truck, he had saved enough to pay cash for a new one while also maxing out his 401(k) contribution.

Ross credits his mother – who drives a 2002 Honda Accord, previously owned by her father – with getting him started.

"She said, 'OK, you can either pay me $1,000 for rent, or you can put $1,000 in index funds every month,'" Ross says. He put the money into his retirement account.

Ross recently bought a house with his fiancee, and they chose a home that cost about half of what their lender said they could afford. They figured out how much they felt comfortable spending each month and based their purchase on that amount.

"I don't really need a million-dollar home here," Ross says. "I just need something that's going to house the family."

It's not all about choice

Both studies have their limitations. Perhaps the biggest one is that the researchers studied only people who had access to workplace retirement plans. Before the pandemic, 55 million working Americans lacked such access, according to Georgetown University Center for Retirement Initiatives. Access makes a huge difference: AARP found that people are 15 times more likely to save for retirement if they have access to a payroll deduction plan at work.

The researchers also didn't factor in the cost of living, which varies widely across the country. Living expenses are 46 percent higher in San Francisco and 86 percent higher in Manhattan than in Portland, Oregon, for example.

People's personal costs of living matter hugely as well. Someone with health problems and lousy insurance likely will have more of their income eaten up by medical bills than someone in excellent health who has good coverage. The number of people you have to support – children, elderly parents, for example – affects how much you can save. People with student loan debt have less discretionary income than those whose parents paid for college. And so on.

Income matters, of course. Some people save on small incomes, while others don't on large ones. But the more money you make, the easier it is to save.

In other words, any number of factors – such as, say, losing a job during a pandemic – can affect someone's ability to save.

When you do have choice, though, choose wisely. The decisions you make about the big expenses now can have a huge effect on what you can spend in retirement.

"Often in our financial wellness programs, we lead with, 'You need to have a budget' or 'Don't have that Starbucks cup of coffee,'" Roy says. "I think it's more fundamental than that."

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New photography studio to open in downtown Coloma

By HP STAFF

COLOMA — Downtown Coloma is about to be more photogenic as Shots By Josh is opening a studio space at 218 N. Paw Paw St.

Stationed next to Electric Tattoo and across from the Loma Theatre, owner Josh Fairbanks is opening a small space studio.

"I've been taking pictures for 14 years and the dream has come true with opening our own studio," Fairbanks said. "We can't wait to take some amazing shots with our clients as they are the reason this is all possible."

Fairbanks has built a social media following on Shots By Josh's Facebook page over the past few years, engaging clients and fans alike. Additionally, the "Squad brand" was established in 2017 and has become a standout brand for senior pictures and more in the region.

Fairbanks said he hopes to start doing shoots in the studio within the next couple weeks and wants to do some minor renovations and decorating.

Once open, the studio will be by appointment only.

Currently, Shots By Josh is advertising a big sales campaign on Facebook and raising funds to go into the studio space.

For more information or questions, the business's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/shotsbyjosh, or email Fairbanks at shotsbyjosh@gmail.com.

BUSINESS PEOPLE

Conybeare Law Office garners awards

ST. JOSEPH — The attorneys at Conybeare Law Office have racked up the awards this summer.

Best Lawyers, a peer review publication, named Barry Conybeare the 2021 Lawyer of the Year for the Plaintiffs Personal Injury Litigation – Kalamazoo Region. Conybeare practices all aspects of personal injury law.

Super Lawyers recognized three of the firm's attorneys, which include Conybeare and Bob Ehrenberg for the 2020 Michigan Super Lawyers List. Matthew Conklin was named to the 2019 Michigan Rising Stars list.

Best Lawyers selected attorney Sasha Boersma to the inaugural edition of "The Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch 2021" for the Claimants Workers' Compensation Law category. She practices Social Security and veteran's disability law.

The Conybeare Law Office also received a Tier 1 Ranking from Best Lawyers' "Best Law Firms" for Plaintiffs Personal Injury Litigation in Kalamazoo.

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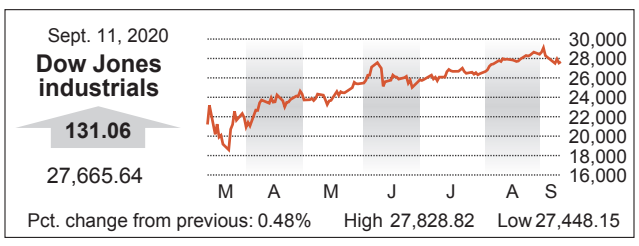

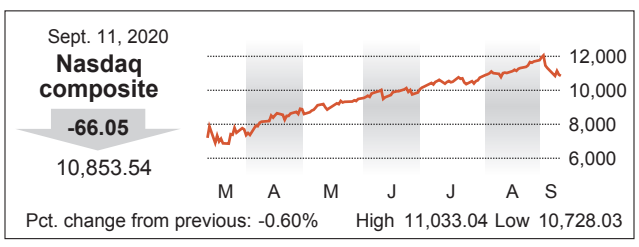

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XPO Logis	XPO	38.47	100.18	87.63	+1.63	+1.9	▲	▲	▲

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Most restaurant employees, such as Sophia Ramirez in Dallas, don't have the option of working from home. Just 10 percent of hotel and restaurant workers are remote while half the people in banking, finance and insurance were working from home, according to a recent report.

'Work from home' works for some, but not all

By MITCHELL SCHNURMAN
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — Working from home has become more than a way to get through the pandemic.

It's now a favored perk for some employees and a necessary lifestyle for others. For some companies, it's also become a powerful recruiting tool.

AmeriSave Mortgage Corp. has been hiring people from around the country to report to the office in Plano, Texas. By leading with the opportunity to work remotely, it's attracted a flood of candidates even while raising the qualifications to apply.

"I jumped on it because I've known about the opportunities at AmeriSave, and I didn't want to leave my family in Nebraska," said Noah Peters, who worked for the city of Omaha before becoming a work-from-home loan originator in July. "I'm an in-person kind of guy, but this was pretty seamless. I love what I'm doing and I'm happy I made the change."

Bottle Rocket, a technology firm based in Addison, Texas, adopted a "work from everywhere" policy early in the pandemic and said it was permanent. That caught the attention of three former employees in Seattle; Austin, Texas; and California, and the company quickly rehired them.

"These are very valuable hires who have the institutional memory of our culture and processes," Bottle Rocket founder and CEO Calvin Carter said. "They were up and running instantly."

The new policy has also helped attract diverse candidates from the Dallas-Fort Worth area, Carter said. These were folks who weren't willing to make a long daily drive to the headquarters in Addison.

"These are benefits we didn't see coming," Carter said. "It makes us more competitive in the human capital wars."

But work from home doesn't work for a lot of people. Many don't have the right computer, software, broadband and training. Other jobs, such as serving food at a restaurant or performing surgery at a hospital, cannot be done from home.

As a result, the work-from-home phenomenon is heavily skewed by education, ethnicity and industry.

> **"Certain conditions are needed to work from home, and there can be a lot of barriers."**
>
> **LAURIE BOUILLION LARREA**
> President of a nonprofit that manages government-funded programs for workers

"This is one way in which inequality manifests itself, especially in the education gap," said Karel Mertens, a senior economic policy adviser at the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas and co-author of a recent working paper on remote work.

In February, a similar share of the U.S. workforce was working from home regardless of education – roughly 7 to 8 percent, the study found. By August, 38 percent of college grads were still working remotely compared with 11 percent of those with a high school diploma or less.

A greater share of white employees also worked remotely compared with Hispanics and Blacks, the study said.

In hotels and restaurants, among the hardest-hit industries, only about 10 percent of workers were remote in August (based on February employment levels). By the same metric, half the workers in banking, finance and insurance were remote, the study showed.

In professional and business services, 44 percent were working at home.

"Certain conditions are needed to work from home, and there can be a lot of barriers," said Laurie Bouillion Larrea, president of Workforce Solutions Greater Dallas, a nonprofit that manages government-funded programs for workers in the region.

Larrea said gaps in education and communication skills can be significant, and many workers don't have the space or money for a dedicated home office.

She sees a mismatch in the local labor market right now: Most employers want workers to staff their physical facilities, but many unemployed want to work from home. Concerns are high about child care, remote learning for school and the risk of COVID-19.

"This is the single biggest conversation we're having with job seekers right now," Larrea said.

A statewide job bank shows that Dallas County currently has over 3,200 openings for laborers, material movers and counter clerks. Nearly 2,500 jobs are listed for production workers, truck drivers, assemblers and helpers for production lines.

These jobs cannot be done from home, and Larrea warned about misinterpreting recent trends. Most remote workers are doing the same tasks as before the pandemic, she said, and that's different from creating new remote positions.

"Work-from-home jobs are not the same as work-from-home job postings," Larrea said. "Many of these remote jobs are not for people who are unemployed now."

But AmeriSave's openings were a good fit for Peters, who's 37 and married with two kids, and has family near his home in Omaha.

He took the company's online training and passed a national exam for a mortgage loan originator's license. To stay connected, he does a lot of webcam and phone work – daily huddles with colleagues and managers, group texts about sports and other trivia, and friendly competition over sales goals.

It may not be the same as in-person contact, but it's good.

"I'm with these guys – and not with these guys – for eight to 10 hours a day," Peters said. "There's no real feeling of missing anything."

In a 2013 study of a major Chinese travel agency, researchers found that working from home led to strong productivity, low attrition and high job satisfaction. But remote working also reduced promotions by about 50 percent, in part because supervisors didn't notice those workers as much.

"One story that is consistent with this is that home-based employees are 'out of sight, out of mind,'" the researchers wrote, dubbing it "a promotion penalty."

Peters in Omaha isn't worried about his prospects at AmeriSave in Plano. In the past month, he's seen the company hiring and promoting trainers, managers and team leaders.

"Everyone's in the same boat: We're all remote," he said.

3 financial documents your business can't ignore

When you own a small business, you have deadlines to meet, customers to keep happy, orders to fill, products to ship – and a million other tasks on your plate.

Finding the time to work on your business and manage the financials can feel overwhelming for a lot of owners who are knee-deep in the day-to-day.

Making the time to manage your finances is a part of what it takes to run a profitable business. At a minimum, there are three basic financial documents that you can't ignore – your balance sheet, profit and loss statement and cash flow statement. By keeping these three statements up-to-date and within reach, you'll always have a strong sense of the financial health of your business.

According to SCORE mentor and retired CPA Frank Curtis, "These financial statements are the keys to understanding any business. In a very precise way, you can determine if your business is growing and succeeding or failing."

Balance Sheet: Your balance sheet is a snapshot of your business' financials at any given moment and shows you if you're in the red or the black. This financial statement lists your business' assets, liabilities and equity. These elements together give you your company's net worth.

Profit and Loss Statement: Your profit and loss statement, or P&L, is your income statement. A P&L summarizes your business' revenues and expenses during a period of time – usually by fiscal quarter and year. This is the financial statement you'll use to understand how your revenues and costs impact your profitability.

Cash Flow Statement: Your cash flow statement shows your sources of incoming and outgoing cash over a period of time. Cash flow documents are helpful when assessing performance trends and other aspects of your business that wouldn't be as evident if you were evaluating your business only on the basis of the balance sheet or P&L.

Running a business without regularly reviewing these three financial statements is the equivalent of driving a car blindfolded. Together, these documents give you the state of your business' financial health. Without that information, you have no basis for making fact-based strategic decisions for your business.

"If you review your company balance sheet, you can learn how much cash you have on hand, how much you owe, and how much equity you have in the business. Your annual profit and loss statement will tell you if you have made a profit and how much. It will also assist you in preparing your income tax return," Curtis said. "Good financial statements are essential if you need additional funding for your business. Any lender will require these documents before providing additional funds."

Setting up and maintaining your business' balance sheet, P&L and cash flow statements is easier with the help of someone well-versed in business finance, like a SCORE mentor.

A SCORE mentor will help you set up and manage these three critical financial documents so you have a clear understanding of the financial state of your business at any time. Contact a SCORE mentor today.

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Have a behemoth buck, a tremendous turkey or super-sized salmon? Please submit photos to sports@TheHP.com.

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Eagles, hawks soar over Warren Dunes

Jonathan Wuepper
Southwest Michigan Wildlife

Bald eagles are on the move and passing through Southwest Michigan on their way to the southern U.S. for the winter.

On Sept. 2, Brad Anderson of Bridgman witnessed two adult bald eagles flying southward at Warren Dunes State Park.

I saw another adult, southbound bald eagle on Sept. 6 in Royalton Township. These migrating bald eagles likely spent the nesting season in northern Ontario, having started their fall migration a few weeks earlier than those that have nested in Michigan.

In Berrien County, bald eagle migration peaks in October. However, the species is present in winter along open waterways such as the St. Joseph River and along the Lake Michigan shoreline, where it preys on fish.

Up until the mid-1990s, the bald eagle was considered an uncommon spring and fall migrant in Berrien County. Over the last 25 years, it has continued to reoccupy much of its former nesting range in the U.S., including Southwest Michigan. It now nests in every county in the southwest part of the state, though is still quite rare as a breeding species in Berrien County.

Anderson reported at least two broad-winged hawks at Warren Dunes State Park on Aug. 23. The broad-winged hawk is in the family of hawks called buteos, which also includes our common red-tailed hawk.

Broad-winged hawks prefer woodlands, while the red-tailed hawk likes open spaces. Broad-winged hawks spend the summer months over most of the eastern U.S., including all of Michigan, however the species is found less frequently in the southern half of the Lower Peninsula where there is less acreage of wooded areas.

Photo provided / Brad Anderson
One of two adult bald eagles migrating together on Sept. 2 over Warren Dunes State Park.

Photo provided / Brad Anderson
An olive-sided flycatcher on Aug. 15 at Warren Dunes State Park.

Photo provided / Brad Anderson
A broad-winged hawk in flight over Warren Dunes State Park on Aug. 23.

Photo provided / Michael Shelton
A red knot on Sept. 7 at Tiscornia Park in St. Joseph.

Broad-winged hawks spend the winter months in South America. Fall migrants from Ontario and northern Michigan begin to appear locally by late August, with peak migration in September.

Shorebirds from the Arctic Circle are passing through our region.

A red knot was discovered on Labor Day at Tiscornia Park in St. Joseph by Mike Mahler, naturalist at Sarett Nature Center. Michael Shelton of Stevensville was able to snap a photo for this column.

Red knots migrate through Southwest Michigan during August and September, en route to their wintering grounds of the Atlantic and Gulf Coasts.

During the non-breeding season the species' plumage is a mottled gray, but in the spring adults appear with a noticeable reddish chest, the coloration resembling a robin.

Southbound songbird migration peaks in September, particularly long distance neo-tropical species that must vacate the north before their food supply of insects is killed off by frosts.

One early songbird to arrive here in fall from the north is the olive-sided flycatcher. It is one of the larger species in the flycatcher family, and nests to our north in coniferous forests and bogs. It may arrive here in mid-August on its way to South America, where it winters.

The olive-sided flycatcher is known for perching atop dead trees, often called dead snags by birders, where it may be photographed, as in this case.

Jonathan Wuepper is an area naturalist. Report your sightings to him at wuepperj@gmail.com.

Sarett Nature Center

Family nature adventures: Arrange for your own family visit to Sarett in a safe, private way. No need to worry about social distancing from other participants. Call 927-4832 to register.

Watervliet Rod & Gun Club

CPL classes: The Watervliet Rod and Gun Club is offering concealed pistol license classes through the end of the year.

September: Register from 6-7 p.m. Sept. 22. Classes are from 6-10 p.m. Sept. 24 and from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Sept. 26.

December: Register from 6-7 p.m. Dec. 1. Classes are from 6-10 p.m. Dec. 3 and from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Dec. 5.

For more information, call 470-9191 or 468-3837.

FISHING REPORT

Southwest Lower Peninsula

St. Joseph: Very few boats have made it out this week. Perch fishing was slow. Pier fishing was slow for all species.

St. Joseph River: Anglers are beginning to troll for salmon. Very few fish were caught, but there are Chinook and coho in the fish ladder in Berrien Springs.

South Haven: When boat anglers could get out, salmon and a few lake trout were caught in 80 feet. Perch fishing and pier fishing were both slow.

Black River: Boat anglers are trolling for salmon.

Holland: Pier anglers casting for salmon had no luck.

— Michigan DNR, Sept. 9

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Homemade ketchup: How hard could it be?

Andy Steinke

Like many good quarantiners, I planted a small garden this spring.

A raised garden bed has been on my wife's wish list for awhile. When I was done rebuilding the deck, I didn't have any good reasons left not to build her one. When I was done, we planted a few pepper plants, some herbs and two tomato plants.

In the past, we had tried growing tomato plants in plastic pots. They never produced much, and what they did produce would often be claimed by bugs and rabbits. So I had low hopes for this year's crop.

Three and a half months later, we now have two tomato trees and new Romas coming on nearly every day. You can't even see the other plants anymore.

More coverage

Read this column online at www.TheHP.com/features for the recipe Andy used to make his homemade ketchup.

I made a couple batches of pico de gallo, my favorite tomato recipe, but that only uses so many tomatoes. So I needed to find another way to use large amounts of fruit.

That's when it hit me: ketchup!

I love ketchup. How hard could it be to make?

I checked my ketchup bottle to see what Hunt's uses: tomato concentrate from vine-ripened tomatoes (well, I've got tomatoes, I guess I can ask them to concentrate), high-fructose corn syrup (that's just a sweetener, right?), distilled vinegar (check), salt (that's easy), onion powder (have that) and natural flavors (I assume that's just code for sweat).

Andy Steinke / HP staff

Homemade ketchup tops a homemade quarter-pound burger, and serves as the perfect dipping sauce for french fries.

Hunt's wasn't very forthcoming with how much of those ingredients I'd need, though, so I consulted the internet for easy homemade ketchup recipes. I settled on one that sounded easy and included ingredients we usually have on hand.

Monday morning, I grabbed my paint clothes (tomato stains are no joke), my glass bowl of tomatoes and the eight other ingredients I'd need.

I turned on some country tunes to get in the mood, and I started quartering tomatoes. The recipe I picked didn't call for peeling them (the No. 1 reason I picked it), but I did take out a majority of the seeds because I envisioned my kids complaining about them.

When I was a kid, I remember making tomato sauce every two or three years. My dad would drag out the witch's kettle (it was

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How Foster Grandparents could still help students in 2020

Pat Arter
Generations

In the last couple weeks, I have had the pleasure of talking with many of our Foster Grandparent volunteers.

Our Foster Grandparent program is about 80 volunteers strong. These volunteers would typically spend 20-30 hours a week mentoring students in schools throughout Berrien, Cass and Van Buren counties.

These volunteers have a wonderful opportunity to help with children's growth and development. They can be a source of positivity, encouragement and stability to children who need it most.

Normally at this time, they would've been preparing to return to the classroom to greet this year's students. They always look forward to this time – to see the fresh new faces and to reconnect with students they have mentored in the past.

But, as you know, things are different this year. They understand why they can't return at this time, but it does not make it any easier.

They are ready! Ready to do whatever they can to help "their kids." Most say, "I can't wait to see my kids! They need me!"

Over the last few months, we have been researching ways they might be able to "see" and connect with those kids, mentor them, and give them the help only Grandma or Grandpa can.

That could include creating a pen pal program, recording videos of volunteers reading books and virtual mentoring.

Another option we're looking at is getting an electronic tablet to each volunteer. With the right tablet and training, we can empower these volunteers to get back in the classroom, at least virtually. They would possibly be able to mentor students one-to-one or in groups, while keeping the volunteers safe at home.

Many volunteers are eager and willing to try this interesting, new approach to volunteering.

Many organizations in our community, and around the nation, are trying to find ways to accomplish their work remotely. There have been many Zoom meetings and conference calls trying to pull our collective brains together to come up with a way to serve our students and get the volunteer back to a routine all while keeping everyone safe.

While it can be a challenge, everyone, from the schools to program staff to the volunteers, are motivated to make it work.

Funding this undertaking, however, is a different challenge. It is sometimes hard to convince potential funders to step in with a new endeavor. We have a great track record with the Foster Grandparent volunteer program, and we are confident in our ability to impact students who most need help.

We would like to thank our federal, state and local funders for helping when help was needed and for encouraging us to find new and creative ways

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Photos by Marie Havenga / Grand Haven Tribune

Ace Covey searches for treasure in Lake Michigan offshore of the Grand Haven State Park beach.

What lies beneath

Ace Covey finds lost treasures along the shores of Lake Michigan

By MARIE HAVENGA
Grand Haven Tribune

GRAND HAVEN — Ace Covey is perhaps best known in these parts for reuniting people with lost items – thanks to his underwater metal detector.

Several times a week, you'll find the Grand Rapids man wading waist-deep in Lake Michigan off Grand Haven State Park, looking for "treasures" left behind by beachgoers.

He's found presumably lost wedding and class rings, and even unearthed Civil War artifacts in his ventures.

His passion began when he was still a Grand Valley State University student. He said he felt he was spending too much time indoors.

"Like any college kid, I was sitting on a couch playing video games," Covey said of his 2006-07 junior year. "One nice, sunny day I asked myself, 'What am I doing with my life? I should go on an adventure.'"

Covey thought it would be a grand idea to look for treasure in real life, instead of in a video game.

"I hopped online and started researching metal detectors," he said.

When his first detector arrived, he turned the power knob and energized his quest. Within minutes, he found a bottle cap and a quarter. Like any college kid hungry for money, he exalted in the opportunity.

Ace Covey shows some of his underwater metal detecting "finds" after a day at Grand Haven State Park.

"I thought, 'Oh my gosh, I can make money with this,'" Covey said. "I joined online forums and a local metal detecting club, and learned about techniques, gear and all that kind of stuff."

Over the past dozen years, he's located many items, including his mom's wedding rings, which had been missing for three decades.

"My mom threw them out in the yard because she was mad at my dad," Covey said. "I found them 30 years later, right in the middle of the yard, about 3 inches down. I found the other one 10 inches over to the right. I did a nice little surprise for my mom. It was just a little tiff between my mom and dad. They're still married."

As Covey gained more confidence in his metal detecting skills, he formed a company, Swing for the Ring.

He launched a website (www.metaldetectinglife.com) and a YouTube channel, where he posts metal detecting blogs and videos, and advertises his recovery services.

He also holds a Professional Association of Diving Instructors certification, and can dive to deeper depths to recover lost items at marinas and lakes.

Covey's treasures

Covey recalls a family from Illinois losing a class ring in Lake Michigan at Grand Haven State Park.

"Their oldest daughter was wearing her mom's old high school ring," Covey said. "They were playing with a ball and it came off. The brother happened to see me (metal detecting in the water) and ran to the other end of the beach where I was. I found it within a minute or two, and kind of joked with them, 'Are you sure it's not on someone's hand?' The brother spotted it. That was a good surprise."

Covey's finds aren't limited to the water or the state park.

"A young lady lost her engagement ring in dry sand in front of the concession stand at Grand Haven State Park," he said. "On the third circle in the area where she had lost it, there it was, buried in 4 inches of sand. She had put it on her beach towel, forgot about it and flicked her towel to shake off the sand."

Covey recovered another wedding ring for a man who was installing his dock in Spring Lake.

"As he was putting in posts and reaching down for tools, his wedding band fell off," Covey said. "A friend of his happened to drive by me and asked me, 'Can that thing find rings?' It was challenging to find. He lost it right at the end of his dock and I kept hearing the metal posts."

Covey's scoop recovered the wedding band.

He said his finds over the

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PETS OF THE WEEK

See the hidden beauty in siblings Alexander and Angelica. They arrived as strays in sad condition. Having nursed them to health, staff and volunteers hope to find these friendly, frolicking 5-month-olds a forever home, preferably together. They are altered, current on shots and litter-trained. Meet them at Berrien County Animal Control, or call 927-5648.

VOLUNTEERS

Help those in need

Southwest Michigan Community Action Agency is hosting a special food distribution drive-thru at its warehouse on Sept. 30.

SMCAA is seeking volunteers to help distribute food. Volunteers need to sign up by Sept. 25, and must be at least 18 years old.

SMCAA helps those in the community who need assistance. It advocates for struggling individuals, providing them with a variety of programs and opportunities.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

United Way of Southwest Michigan

The Herald-Palladium, in conjunction with the United Way of Southwest Michigan, publishes volunteer opportunities every Saturday.

To view all current listings, please visit **volunteer.uwsm.org.**

Turn compassion into action

American Red Cross of Southwest Michigan is looking for blood drive volunteers in Berrien, Cass and Van Buren counties.

Volunteers will provide a warm, friendly greeting to all donors, instruct and help with registration, explain the importance of blood donations, help schedule appointments, screen blood donors for health concerns, and offer refreshments and conversation.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Help foster families

Foster Closet of Michigan – Berrien County provides free items to foster families and children. The items help rebuild foster children's lives by giving them something to call their own, and it helps relieve some of the financial strain on foster parents.

Volunteers are needed to help open the closet's doors to the public. The closet is open twice a week for two hours.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Help prevent disease, protect health

The Berrien County Health Department needs support as it brings back services. The department has implemented a staff and client health screening upon entry, and needs volunteers to help manage the check-in station at the main entrance of its Benton Harbor office.

The station also provides face coverings/masks to those who arrive without one.

This is a no-contact position. Volunteers can maintain appropriate social distancing from others and personal protective equipment will be provided by the department.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Help feed the hungry

Fresh, healthy food tends to have a short shelf life. To make sure it gets distributed as quickly as possible, Feeding America West Michigan developed the mobile food pantry.

Mobile pantries are like farmers markets on wheels, delivering a variety of fresh fruits, vegetables, dairy products and baked goods to people in need, often on the same day the food is donated.

Volunteers help distribute food, carry heavier groceries for people who need help, and give a smile to those who are experiencing food insecurity.

For upcoming mobile food pantry dates and locations, visit www.feedwm.org.

To volunteer, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Military Hero Care Network

The American Red Cross Hero Care Network provides critical services to military members, veterans and their families all over the world.

The American Red Cross of Southwest Michigan is looking for volunteers to help with tasks such as sending emergency communications for deployed service members, communicating with families of newly enlisted service members, and referring veterans and their families to local programs.

Training will be provided, and volunteers can work remotely.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Health care heroes

PACE of Southwest Michigan is looking for medically trained volunteers to help support their staff and clients.

PACE is looking for a volunteer nurse and nursing assistant.

The nurse will provide direct and indirect nursing care to participants in the PACE Center and in the community.

The nursing assistant will perform participant care activities and other tasks as assigned to assist the primary care, therapy and adult day health staff.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

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Only a Great Physician can cure a deadly virus

Kevin Hester
Insights

Our nation has been consumed by the coronavirus for several months. And while we may have differing views about it, we have one thing in common: it's had a negative impact on our lives.

It's impacted us socially, financially and, for some, physically. Gratefully, the negative impact of COVID-19 will eventually fade from our lives, and we will be able to move on.

There are, however, some much more deadly viruses, "spiritual viruses," that will have much more long-lasting impacts on our lives.

Gossip is a "virus" of the mouth that has devastated the lives of many. It's, by design, destructive.

Gossip irreversibly destroys the good reputation of its victim, and the effects can be extremely far reaching. Gossip has destroyed relationships, devastated careers and even started wars.

The Bible tells us in Proverbs 18:21 that "Life and death are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit." Ephesians 4:29 says, "Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen."

Gossip is designed to tear down, not build up. It's destructive not only to its victim, but also to those who hear it and who have their perceptions unnecessarily altered.

Hate is another devastating "virus" of the heart. Hate is at the root of some of our nation's greatest struggles today. Our enemy has ignited divisions among us, and we've been all too willing to allow him to fire us up and set us at each others' throats.

This is contrary to Jesus' teachings. He taught us to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. He took away all our excuses when he taught us further to love our enemies. The Bible tells us that love covers a multitude of sins.

There is no conflict that can't be resolved if the catalyst for change is love for one another. Instead, we resort to making enemies out of those who believe, think and look different from ourselves. It has resulted in a devastating disregard for our fellow man, and has had a devastating effect on the security of our marriages, families and nation.

There are countless "spiritual viruses" that we must guard ourselves against. The last one I'll mention here is the "virus of deception."

Deception is a sneaky little "virus." It's possible to be infected with this virus and never even know it. The Bible says that we suppress truth because of our own unrighteousness.

There are two people lying to us that we must be on guard against. The first is Satan. He is called the great deceiver in Scripture, and he's been working in our minds since our birth to weave a web of lies that will keep us from finding the truth.

Sadly though, some of the most devastating lies we believe, we've told to ourselves. We have lost sight of how essential truth is in our lives, and it's having a devastating impact on our spiritual lives and our ability to discern worldly matters.

While we have yet to see a vaccine for COVID-19, and will likely never see a cure, gratefully there is a cure for every "spiritual virus."

Jesus is the Great Physician, and the cure for every spiritual disease. Hearing, believing and practicing God's Word is the cure.

If you're struggling with any of these viruses, or the host of others we struggle with, open your heart to God's Word and find your cure.

Today's Insights was written by Kevin Hester, pastor at The Shore Church in St. Joseph. Insights is written by area clergy to give different viewpoints on a variety of topics. It is published each Saturday in cooperation with the Berrien County Association of Churches. The views expressed by the author do not necessarily reflect the views of member churches.

CHURCH NOTES

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 9193 Cleveland Ave., Baroda, has returned to in-person worship services at 9 a.m. Sundays.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 2673 W. John Beers Road, Stevensville, has returned to in-person services at 8 and 10:30 a.m. Sundays and 6:30 p.m. Mondays. It will continue to livestream services on Facebook and YouTube at 8 a.m. Sundays. The church's 10:30 a.m. services on Sunday and Sept. 27 will be outdoors in the open field next to the lower parking lot. Attendees should bring a chair or blanket. For more information, visit www.stpaulswels.org.

The Shore Church, 623 Church St., St. Joseph, has returned to in-person worship at 10:30 a.m. Sundays. For more info, call 208-3844.

Peace Lutheran Church, 3590 Lincoln Ave., St. Joseph, has returned to in-person worship at 10:15 a.m. Sundays. For more info, visit www.peacelutheranstjoe.org. The church will continue to stream services on Facebook and YouTube. The church will host Blue Shoes Jazz from 5:30-8 p.m. Sunday for a benefit concert for Eddie Zajac. Tickets are $10 for adults and $5 for children. Purchase tickets online at www.peacelutheranstjoe.org/eddie-zajac-benefit.

Three Oaks United Methodist Church's the Rev. Steve Shimek and his wife, Lillian Lewis, will lead a series of short courses on prayer from 10-11 a.m. Sept. 12, 19, 26 and Oct. 3 at Dewey Cannon Park on East Maple Street in Three Oaks. The church will worship at 10 a.m. Sunday at Dewey Cannon Park. Attendees should bring a chair. If raining, the service will be in the shelter at Carver Park.

Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ, 1200 W. Glenlord Road, St. Joseph, returns to in-person, invitation-free worship at 11:10 a.m. Sunday. For more information, call 429-1985 or visit pilgrimstjoe.org.

Zion St. Joe United Church of Christ, 3001 Veronica Drive, St. Joseph, continues to hold 10 a.m. Sunday services on its Facebook page.

Overflow Church, 300 E. Napier Ave., Benton Harbor, will join churches around the country in hosting a simulcast of RightNow Media's Marriage Night today. Virtual attendees will hear from marriage experts and learn how to honor God in their marriages. Register online at www.marriagenight.org for an in-home ticket. Scholarships are available. Overflow will raffle a date night package to one registrant. For more information, email info@overflowchurch.org.

Church Notes is a free listing, published each Saturday. Announcements are due by noon Wednesday. Late items will not be published. The editor reserves the right to edit for space and style. Incomplete information may not be published. First and last names should be furnished. Pictures submitted should include names of those shown. Send items to: Church Notes, The Herald-Palladium, P.O. Box 128, St. Joseph, MI 49085; or email to focus@TheHP.com. Items should include a daytime telephone number.

STEINKE

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so big it had to be hanged from an old swing set frame), and we'd make dozens and dozens of jars. We kids were usually in charge of running the tomatoes through the juicer before they were cooked.

It would take all day. Thankfully, my ketchup did not.

In addition to the tomatoes, I needed apple cider vinegar, salt, brown sugar, mustard powder, Worcestershire sauce, black pepper, onion and garlic.

I tossed it all in our stainless steel pot and put it on the stovetop. The first time I went to stir it, I regretted picking our one pot without handles.

In typical 2020 fashion, it had shed its plastic handles (both of them, at the same time) as my wife carried a pot of spaghetti to the table in March (not a good start to quarantine).

I made due, though, and continued stirring for about an hour. At first, it smelled of mustard and vinegar.

"Looks good," my son said as he peeked into the pot while holding his nose.

Andy Steinke / HP staff

Homemade ketchup will keep in the refrigerator for up to 2 weeks. It can also be frozen for later use.

I let it cook a little longer than the recipe called for because it didn't yet appear to have "the consistency of ketchup." Besides, the recipe said it would be more flavorful the longer I cooked it.

In hindsight, it probably would've gone faster if I had skinned the tomatoes. I probably could've skipped blending the sauce after it was cooked, too.

Three pounds of tomatoes cooked down to almost 3 pints of ketchup, and I was dying to try it right away. So I formed a few burger patties (made from Southwest Michigan-grown beef), and slapped them on the grill while my wife slid fries into the oven.

We sat down to eat, and I awaited my five-star reviews. My son gave it four stars (solid, I'll take it). My daughter gave it six stars (still angling for that pony, I see). And my wife gave it three stars (I guess she won't be getting any more).

If you're thinking of making ketchup yourself, I'll note that it tastes nothing like store-bought ketchup (I guess I didn't add enough sweat). It has a more decidedly tomato flavor, like a sweeter tomato sauce, with a hint of garlic.

I'd definitely make it again. And I might have to if my tomato plants don't slow down soon.

Andy Steinke is features editor at The Herald-Palladium. Share your homemade ketchup stories with him at asteinke@TheHP.com, or follow him on Twitter @Decoding Dadhood.

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for our volunteers to contribute. It might be a long, bumpy road ahead – but we are in good company.

To all of the Foster Grandparent volunteers I've spoken to these last few weeks, thank you for being an encouragement to me! I usually set out to lift you up, and always end up feeling lifted.

Pat Arter is senior volunteer program director of Region IV Area Agency on Aging in Southwest Michigan. Questions on age or independence services? Call the Info-Line for Aging & Disability at 800-654-2810 or visit www.areaagencyonaging.org. The Generations column appears each Saturday in The Herald-Palladium.

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Hispanic vote is not a given for Democrats

Jonah Goldberg

As ambivalent as I am about a Donald Trump victory – or, for that matter, a Joe Biden one – there is one scenario I would enjoy: What if Trump was reelected thanks to support from Hispanics?

Now, I should say this is only a remote possibility. There's zero indication Trump can win a majority of Hispanics nationally. Biden currently has about a 20-point lead among Latino voters nationwide. But the whole reason the thought comes to mind is that Biden is underperforming among the fastest growing demographic group, even at a time when he is generally doing better than Hillary Clinton did in 2016 and has been holding a steady lead over Trump for months now.

The biggest worry for the Biden campaign is that Trump is actually leading among Hispanics in Florida, a crucial state for Democrats and an absolute must-win for Republicans. This is largely because Cuban Americans tend to be more supportive of Republicans more than other Hispanic groups, and Trump's anti-socialist rhetoric probably has special appeal to a community with long memories of Castro's takeover of Cuba.

But the fact that Trump is doing well with Hispanic voters in Florida highlights an important point: Hispanics aren't a monolithic group. Cuban Americans are very different than Mexican Americans and Mexican Americans are very different than Puerto Ricans.

This is true culturally – just ask some of them! – but it's also true as a matter of public policy. The national media often makes it seem like Hispanics generically care about immigration with equal intensity simply by virtue of the fact that they're Hispanic. But Cuban Americans historically had a special carve-out in immigration law (until 2017 when Obama ended the "wet foot dry foot" policy as part of his overture to Cuba). Puerto Ricans may care about immigration for principled reasons, but it's worth remembering that Puerto Ricans aren't immigrants. They're U.S. citizens.

Anyway, you get the point. So why would I enjoy it if Hispanics voted decisively for Trump? Because it would make some people look like idiots and force pretty much everyone to rethink their locked-in positions on not just immigration but on identity politics generally.

Much of the intensity around the immigration issue in recent years has stemmed from the belief that Democrats want "open borders" so they can import evermore Democratic voters. There are thoughtful and nonracist versions of this argument and there are dumb and very racist versions of it as well. But it's gotten to the point where it's mostly just a lazy talking point.

But it's a persuasive talking point to many people because so many Democrats talk as if that is precisely their thinking. As Peter Beinart noted in a 2017 essay for The Atlantic, "As the Democrats grew more reliant on Latino votes, they were more influenced by pro-immigrant activism." In 2008, he noted, the Democratic Party platform condemned illegal immigration. In 2016, the platform didn't even mention it. According to many Democrats, the word "illegal" has a nativist and offensive tinge.

I hate most of Donald Trump's rhetoric about immigration and immigrants, but wouldn't it be wild if it turned out to be more offensive to rich white liberals than to the actual targets of his diatribes?

Meanwhile, the racists who tell me – usually in ALL CAPS – that importing brown people is suicidal and that's why we must support Trump would, to borrow a phrase from that great Cuban American, Ricky Ricardo, "have some 'splaining to do."

And so would the progressive activists and politicians who think they can summarize the views and attitudes of a huge, and hugely diverse, group of human beings.

Again, I wish Trump wouldn't use racist rhetoric about immigration. But if Hispanics voted for him in large numbers despite that rhetoric and despite his immigration policies (or even because of them), it would deal a mortal wound to the claim that wanting to enforce immigration laws or making our immigration system slightly more restrictive is racist.

Lastly, Hispanics themselves would benefit in the long run simply by virtue of the fact that both parties would now compete for their votes.

I understand this is a hard argument to make with Trump in office for a lot of reasons, and I personally wish we were talking about a different Republican presidential candidate. And it's not going to happen this time, anyway. But Trump's relative success with Hispanics suggests it could happen someday, particularly with a Hispanic GOP nominee. And that's something to hope for.

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The Anti-Trump conspiracy

Cal Thomas

The cable networks, including Fox News, could talk of little else Labor Day weekend but the Atlanticmagazine piece by Jeffrey Goldberg alleging President Trump had said Americans who have died in wars are "losers" and "suckers." The comments allegedly were made two years ago during the president's visit to France and have been denied by numerous current and former administration officials who say they were with the president and that he never said any of the things attributed to him.

So why are these allegations coming to light now? Do you have to ask?

This is the latest in a stream of political toxic waste being dumped into the campaign environment to harm the president's re-election. With less than two months to go before November 3, opponents can be counted on to dump even more. Too bad there isn't a political environmental protection agency. So far, none of it has worked. Most people have made their judgments about the president, his policies and character. The piling on by his detractors seems to have moved the needle hardly at all, especially in the battleground states, which are the only states that truly matter. According to Pew Research Center, the president's approval ratings are "unusually stable ... and deeply partisan."

In all of the "reporting" (a word that has lost all meaning in contemporary opinion journalism), too many "sources" are anonymous. None has the courage to step forward and tie their name to the allegations. Are people who were the sources of Greenberg's article and later those of Fox News reporter Jennifer Griffin holdovers from the Obama administration at the Pentagon, or disgruntled former administration officials who didn't get their way? Are they part of the cabal to elect Joe Biden? Knowing the sources of these slanderous accusations would help the public judge their veracity.

What are the motives behind these and other anonymous quotes? If among them is to keep their jobs while undermining a president they are paid to serve, they should resign and go public. Let them come out from hiding, join the debate and be held accountable instead of throwing mud balls from behind the high wall of media protection.

In courts of law one has a constitutional right to face one's accusers and to have them cross-examined. In the political court one has no such rights. Slander and innuendo are the norm.

At least some members of Trump's family have spoken publicly, or written books about objections they have to their famous relative, allowing the president to respond. Those who won't come forward are cowards, seeking to save their skin while burning his.

One doesn't have to be part of a conspiracy to achieve the same end. Similar worldviews produce the same results, with or without coordination.

In fact, the definition of the word "conspire" fits: "To act or work together toward the same result or goal."

Within journalism there has been a debate over the use of anonymous sources. While on occasion it can provide information to the public that could not be obtained any other way, its overuse can add to the declining credibility of all media, which numerous surveys have shown has been the trend in recent years.

If these latest anonymous sources believe they are trying to save the nation, rather than adding to its toxicity, there could be no better time for them to shed their cloak of anonymity so we might know their political associations and the target of their attacks and smears can confront his accusers.

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LETTERS

No grudges, just support for Biden

Editor,

Former Vice President Joe Biden came to Southwest Michigan in October 2018, and his words and actions were used by Republicans to derail my campaign for Congress.

So what?

The politics of 2018 shouldn't deter anyone from supporting Biden. I know some disagree because I still hear concerns about his "sabotage" of my campaign. I appreciate where this comes from, because so many people worked incredibly hard to get me into Congress. But Joe didn't tank our campaign.

I wasn't happy with what Joe did, but I understood it. He was proud of helping to pass the 21st Century Cures Act, which was sponsored by Congressman Upton. The Cures Act had become the vehicle for Biden's "Moonshot" to spur cancer therapy research, and it was the embodiment of his grief over the loss of his son. Joe was genuinely thankful for Upton's work on "Cures," and I don't begrudge either of them celebrating their collaboration.

The frustration I felt stemmed from the public hearing more about incentives for drug development than the cost-saving, impactful, community-based interventions for cancer survivors that were also part of the Moonshot. Community-based public health is consistently devalued by politicians.

I support Joe for the same reason I went to medical school, and for the same reason I ran for Congress: a desire to improve the health and quality of life of as many people as possible.

Coherent public health and health care policy is what earns my political support. President Trump has had years to demonstrate any vision for health, and I challenge anyone to describe Mr. Trump's plans as anything other than "repeal the ACA," which would obviously be devastating to millions of Americans with pre-existing conditions or who don't have employer-sponsored health benefits.

In contrast, Biden's platform goes beyond just protecting the ACA. It is comprehensive and incorporates many lessons I've learned from 20-plus years working as a public health researcher, innovator and advocate.

For example, research shows where you live, work, play, pray and learn has a large impact your health. In response, we need a community integrated health system to address upstream causes of poor health and health inequalities through "clinic-to-community" partnerships and a greater focus on the prevention of injury, illness and death. Biden's "Build Back Better" initiative calls for the creation of a "Care Force" to create community health jobs, fund direct care services in local settings, and provide financial support for informal caregivers.

Additionally, Biden will expand Medicare as an option to cover more people with new benefits. This will improve and maintain the health of millions, many of whom have lost employment and employer sponsored benefits during the pandemic. Biden's plans also include funding for widespread COVID-19 testing, support programs for older adults and vulnerable populations, and protections for frontline health workers.

Overall, Biden aims to improve our health system to save lives, reduce costs and health inequities, and to create jobs with community health benefits. Clearly, this is a better plan than anything offered by Trump.

Matt Longjohn
Portage

Who is best for the economy, Trump or Biden?

Editor,

Contrary to popular misconception, many studies have demonstrated that the U.S. economy does best when a Democrat is in the White House.

It should be no surprise, therefore, that in spite of Donald Trump's boasts about his economic acumen, he has underperformed every president since Truman, including Barack Obama. Under Obama, Real Gross Domestic Product, which is the standard way to measure economic growth, increased at an average annual rate of 2.2 percent; under Trump, it has decreased at an average annual rate of minus 1.3 percent.

In all fairness however, COVIDhas had a significant impact on the economy, so we should consider Trump's performance pre-COVID. Surprise, despite his bravado, he has still underperformed. The average annual GDP growth rate under Trump through February 2020 was under 2.1 percent. In the end, Trump has been a weak performer on economic issues.

Every President must deal with the cards as dealt, and as voters, we need to consider the facts, and decide how much of the current economic downturn was unavoidable, and how much is due to mismanagement. The facts are that Trump has badly mismanaged the COVID crisis.

When COVID-19 hit, rather than mobilizing an effective national response, Trump called it a hoax and said it would "just go away." Contrary to his fantasies, the virus has not gone away. The U.S. has the highest number of COVID cases and the highest number of deaths of any country in the world.

Many economists have told us that our economy will not recover until we deal with this pandemic, so handling the virus is handling the economy – they are inextricably tied.

As we cast our votes in the upcoming election, we can contrast Trump's weak and ineffective response to COVID-19 with the strong, effective response of the Obama/Biden administration to Ebola and SARS.

Make sure you vote with the facts and not partisan emotions.

Ken Neumann
Galien

Herd immunity strategy would be health disaster

Editor,

As a physician who has treated critically ill COVID-19 patients, I am deeply concerned by recent reports that Trump's new pandemic adviser, Dr. Scott Atlas, is pushing a U.S. "herd immunity" strategy. This strategy means that we should abandon social distancing and mask measures altogether while allowing the COVID-19 virus to spread through our community.

The rationale of this approach is that individuals can build immunity through antibodies from infection instead of being vaccinated. Sixty percent of the country, or 200 million citizens, would need to be immunized through this approach for it to be effective. Furthermore, Dr. Atlas suggests that we could just quarantine patients at risk while the virus spreads throughout the community.

There are several reasons this approach is impractical and deadly for our community and the state of Michigan.

First, the price we pay for free virus community spread is innocent people dying. Sweden tried the herd immunity strategy, choosing to not initiate any lockdowns. They've now experienced 5-10 times as many deaths per capita as neighboring countries, and have pivoted to strict COVID-19 restrictions. Fewer than 10 percent of Stockholm residents now have COVID-19 antibodies – meaning that the goal of widespread immunity also failed.

Second, there is no way we can effectively isolate "at risk" individuals, as Dr. Atlas suggests. Fifty percent of the United States population has at least one risk factor, from obesity to diabetes, that puts them at higher risk of complications with COVID-19 infection.

Finally, beyond fatalities, the herd immunity strategy will lead to our health system being overwhelmed again. When I was working at the peak of the pandemic, we had at least 200 patients requiring ICU level care in my hospital due to COVID-19. We can't let something like that happen again.

While I can only speak on medicine and public health, President Trump has shown that he has been an incompetent leader throughout this entire pandemic. Months into this pandemic, we are the only developed country that is still dealing with thousands of deaths daily. With advisers like Dr. Atlas, I am worried our nation will continue to needlessly suffer at the hands of reckless public health leadership.

Vishal S. Arora, MD
St. Joseph and Boston, Mass.
Internal medicine resident physician at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Clinical Fellow in Medicine at Harvard Medical School

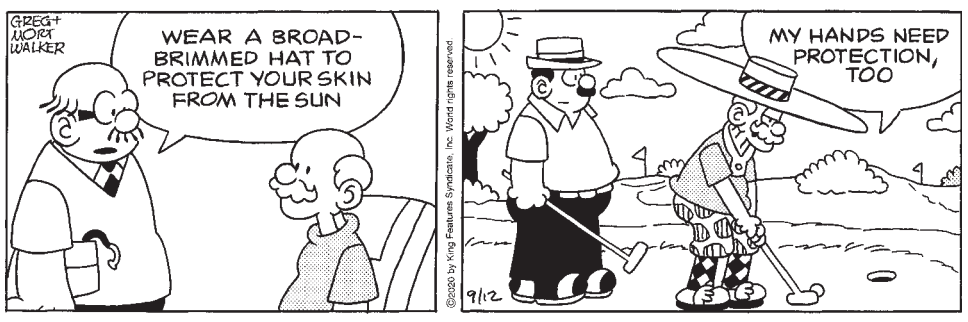
Correction

A letter to the editor from John Groves published Sept. 5-6, "Don't like Trump's style? Vote for him anyway," contained two errors due to an editing error. A word in two sentences was unintentionally changed, altering the author's meaning. The sentences should have read as follows:

"In 2016, if the electorate had wanted a corrupt president who told them 'real' lies, then they would not have elected Donald J. Trump." ...

"However, if you will use your good judgment about President Trump, you can forget his irritating personal style issues, even the never validated sexual 'locker room' boast, then I strongly urge you to ignore and forget the boastful Trump personality and vote for a man who can and will preserve our democracy, freedom and way of life."

BEETLE BAILEY


GREG+ MORT WALKER
WEAR A BROAD-BRIMMED HAT TO PROTECT YOUR SKIN FROM THE SUN
MY HANDS NEED PROTECTION, TOO
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BLONDIE

WE MET AT AN ENGAGEMENT PARTY FOR MY SISTER THAT YOU CATERED
OH, THAT'S A LOVELY STORY
NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOU CATER OUR OWN ENGAGEMENT PARTY
WONDERFUL!
SO OBVIOUSLY, WE THINK IT WOULD BE GOOD LUCK FOR US IF YOU CATERED IT FOR 1/2 THE PRICE OF MY SISTER'S!
GOOD LUCK!
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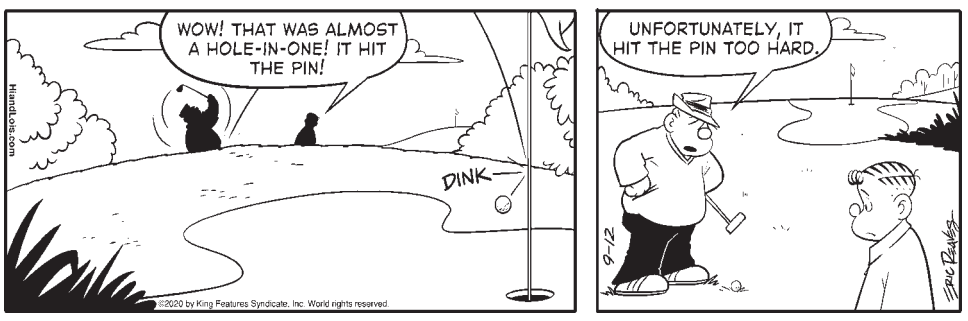
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UNFORTUNATELY, IT HIT THE PIN TOO HARD.
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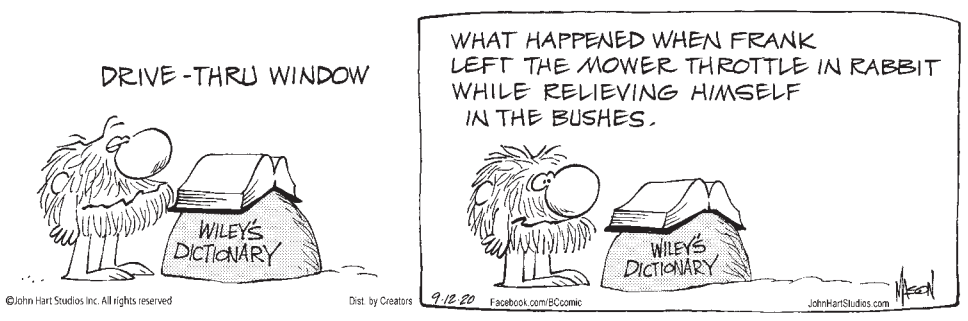

WIZARD OF ID

I'M OFFENDED! WHAT ABOUT PEOPLE WHO CAN'T JUGGLE?!
FIRE? THAT'S INSENSITIVE TO BURN VICTIMS!
THOSE PIES BETTER BE GLUTEN-FREE!
BOOOOOOO...
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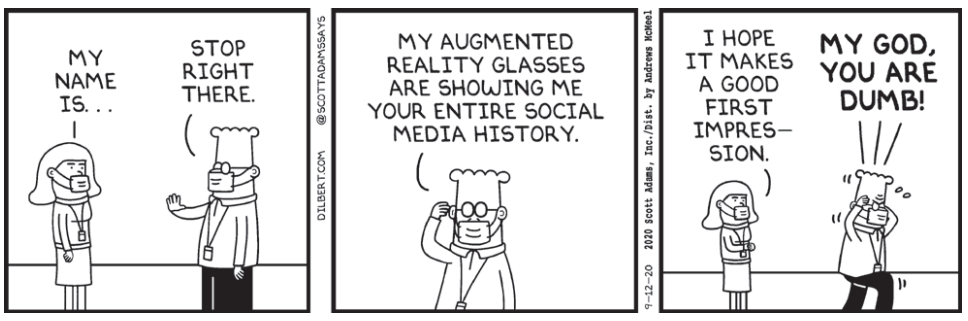
MY NAME IS. . .
STOP RIGHT THERE.
DILBERT.COM @SCOTTADAMSSAYS
MY AUGMENTED REALITY GLASSES ARE SHOWING ME YOUR ENTIRE SOCIAL MEDIA HISTORY.
I HOPE IT MAKES A GOOD FIRST IMPRES-SION.
MY GOD, YOU ARE DUMB!
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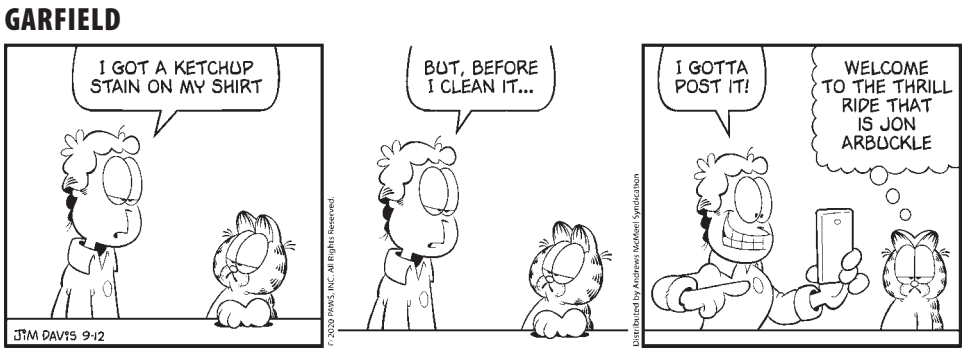
I GOT A KETCHUP STAIN ON MY SHIRT
JIM DAVIS 9-12
BUT, BEFORE I CLEAN IT...
I GOTTA POST IT!
WELCOME TO THE THRILL RIDE THAT IS JON ARBUCKLE
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FORT KNOX

JOEY, I'VE SPENT TODAY SAYING CRAZY STUFF TO THE GOOGLE HOME.
WHY, MOM?
BAD IDEA GUY
BECAUSE I WANT TO PROVE THAT IT'S REALLY SPYING ON US.
WHAT SHE SAID
AND?
SEARCH ME
THE FBI'S HERE!!
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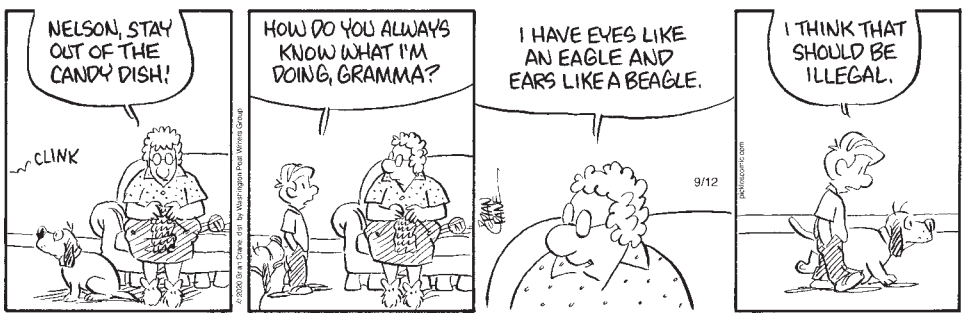
NELSON, STAY OUT OF THE CANDY DISH!
CLINK
HOW DO YOU ALWAYS KNOW WHAT I'M DOING, GRAMMA?
I HAVE EYES LIKE AN EAGLE AND EARS LIKE A BEAGLE.
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I THINK THAT SHOULD BE ILLEGAL.
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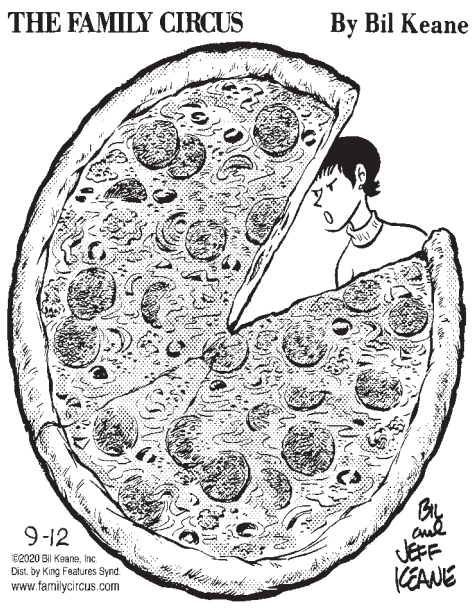
FAMILY CIRCUS



"Billy! I told you not to touch the pizza till the others got here!"

DENNIS THE MENACE

"I WAS AFRAID YOU GUYS WEREN'T COMING BACK!"

BABY BLUES

CURTIS

I'VE INVENTED AN EXTRA-ULTRA-SPECIAL ICE CREAM DESSERT
WITH OREO PIECES, POP-TART CHUNKS AND M&M'S, DRIZZLED WITH PANCAKE SYRUP
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IT'S REALLY SPECIAL!
I'D BE A FOOL TO DENY IT
I CAN FEEL MY HEART BEATING IN MY FOREHEAD

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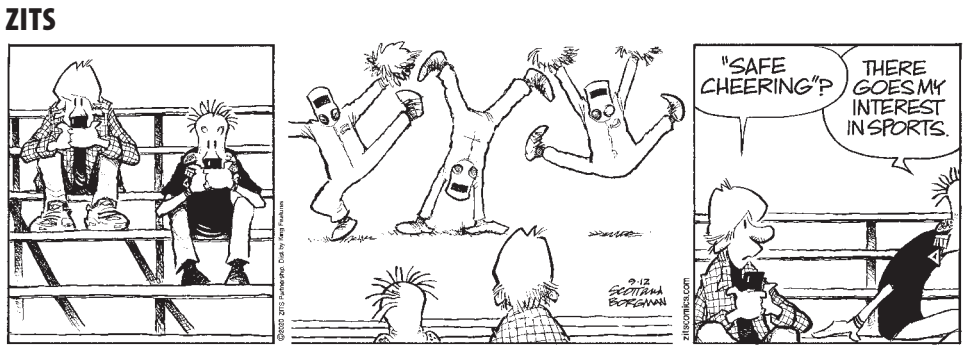

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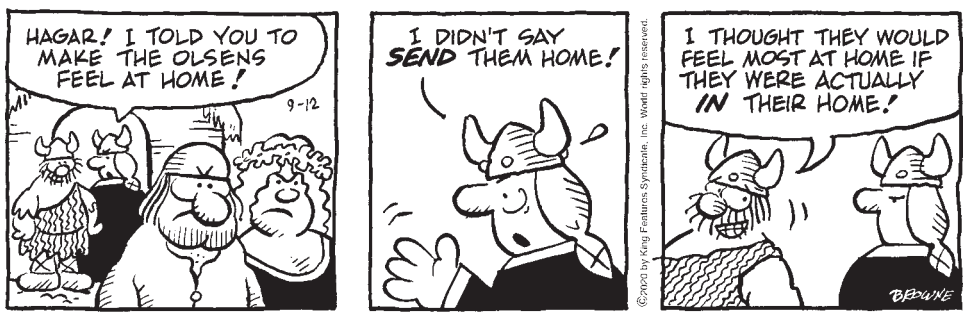
HAGAR! I TOLD YOU TO MAKE THE OLSENS FEEL AT HOME!
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I DIDN'T SAY SEND THEM HOME!
I THOUGHT THEY WOULD FEEL MOST AT HOME IF THEY WERE ACTUALLY IN THEIR HOME!
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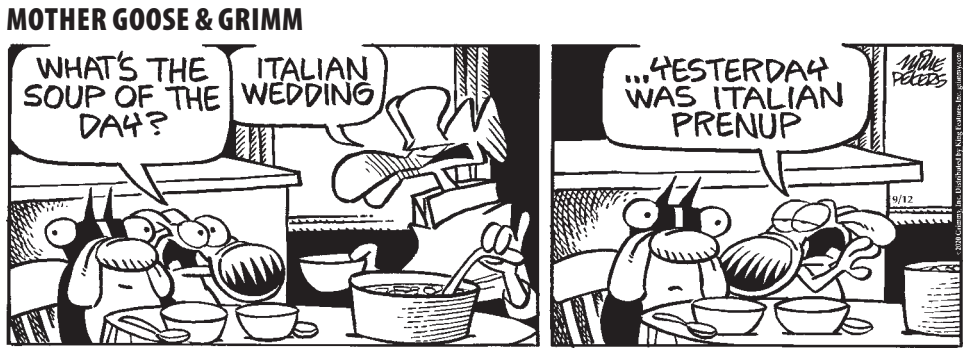

MUTTS

SALLY FORTH

WELL, I FINISHED MY FIRST WEEK BACK IN THE OFFICE.
WELL, I FINISHED MY FIRST WEEK BACK IN SCHOOL.
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WANNA BINGE-WATCH WHATEVER POPS UP FIRST ON NETFLIX?
JUST THE SHOW I'VE BEEN MEANING TO SEE.

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PRIME TIME TV

SATURDAY EVENING SEP. 12

	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
ABC 7 13 41 57	:37 **College Football** Clemson at Wake Forest. From BB&T Field in Winston-Salem, N.C. (N) (L)						
CBS 2 3 22	**SunPower**	**To Be Announced**		**Love Island: More to Love** (N) CC		**48 Hours** ((SP)) (N) CC	
NBC 5 8 16	**Ac. Hollywood**	**NHL Hockey** Conference Final: Teams TBA. (N) (L)					
FOX 17 222 28 32	**Modern Family**	**MLB Baseball** Houston Astros at Los Angeles Dodgers. From Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles. (N) (L) CC					
PBS 34	**Lawrence Welk**	**Antiques Roadshow** "Cleveland" CC		**As Time Goes By**	**As Time Goes By**	**Keep-Appear**	**Keep-Appear**
CW 25	**Big Bang Theory**	**Mike & Molly**	**Mike & Molly**	**Seinfeld** CC	**Seinfeld** CC	**News**	**Friends** CC
MNT 50	**Graham Bensinger**	**Dateline** The murder of a popular teacher.		**Dateline** "Deadly Triangle" CC		**Storm of Suspicion**	
WCIU 26	**2 Broke Girls**	**Bob's Burgers**	**Bob's Burgers**	**Family Guy**	**Family Guy**	**Family Guy**	**Bob's Burgers**
WHME 46	:00 **Heartland**	**Heartland** "Legacy" CC (DVS)		**Murdoch Mysteries** "21 Murdoch Street"		**Murdoch Mysteries** "The Accident"	
WGN 9	**MLS Soccer** Columbus Crew SC at Chicago Fire FC. From Soldier Field in Chicago. (N)				**Friends** CC	**WGN Weekend News at Nine** (N)	
A&E	5:00 **Live Rescue**	**Live Rescue: Rewind** (N) CC		**Live Rescue** "Live Rescue -- 09.12.20" (N) CC			
AMC	**Hobbit-Smaug**	**Braveheart** ('95) Mel Gibson, Sophie Marceau. A Scottish rebel rallies his countrymen against England. CC					
Animal	**Pit Bulls**	**Pit Bulls & Parolees**		**Pit Bulls-Parole**		**Dr. Jeff: Double**	
BET	**Married**	**Acrimony** ('18) Taraji P. Henson. (P). CC					
Big Ten	**Ohio**	**Michigan**		**Penn State**		**Illinois Football**	
Bravo	**He's Just Not**	**Chrisley Knows**	**Chrisley Knows**	**Chrisley Knows**	**Chrisley Knows**	**Chrisley Knows**	**Chrisley Knows**
Cartoon	**Teen**	**Dragon**	**Dragon**	**American**	**American**	**American**	**Rick**
Cinemax	**Tower Heist** ('11)	**54** ('98, Drama) Ryan Phillippe, Salma Hayek. CC			:35 **Bad Lieutenant** ('92) Harvey Keitel. CC		
CMT	**To Be Announced**			**The Guardian** ('06, Drama) CC			
CNBC	**Boss**	**Undercover Boss**		**Undercover Boss**		**Undercover Boss**	
CNN	**Situation**	**Situation Room**		**Situation Room**		**CNN Special Report**	
Comedy	**Dumb & Dumber**		**The Longest Yard** ('05) Adam Sandler. CC				
Discovery	:00 **Dirty Jobs**	**Dirty Jobs** "Well Digger" CC		**Dirty Jobs** "Cave Digger" CC		**I Quit** "Picking Up The Pieces" (N)	
Disney	**Ferdinand**	**Big City**	**Amphibia**	**Amphibia**	**Owl Hse.**	**Big City**	**Big City**
DIY	**Maine**	**Maine Cabin Masters**		**Maine Cabin Masters**		**Maine Cabin Masters**	
E!	**Back to the Future**		**Back to the Future Part II** ('89) (P).				
ESPN	**College Football** Teams TBA.			**NBA Basketball**			
ESPN2	**College Football** Tulane at South Alabama. (N) (L)						**TBA**
ESPNC	**Baseball**	**College Football** From Oct. 23, 1982.				**Classic-Boxing**	
Food	**Hallow**	**Halloween Wars**		**Halloween Wars**		**Halloween Wars**	
Fox News	**Life**	**Watters' World** (N)		**Justice With Jeanine**		**Greg Gutfeld**	
Fox Sports	:00 **MLB Baseball** Detroit Tigers at Chicago White Sox.					**Tigers Lv.**	**Tigers Lv.**
Freefrm	:20 **Finding Dory** ('16) Voices of Ellen DeGeneres, Albert Brooks. CC				:25 **Toy Story 3** ('10) Voices of Tom Hanks. CC		
FX	5:30 **Deadpool**	**Deadpool 2** ('18) Ryan Reynolds. Deadpool joins forces with a team of mutants to fight Cable.					**Deadpool 2** ('18)
Golf	**PGA Golf**			**Central**	**PGA Champions**		
Hallmark	:00 **Wedding Every Weekend** ('20) Kimberley Sustad. CC			**At Home in Mitford** ('17, Drama) Andie MacDowell, Cameron Mathison. CC			
HBO	**Bohemian Rhapsody**	**Coastal Elites** (N) CC			**Birds of Prey (Fantabulous Emancipation of Harley Quinn)**		
History	**Aliens**	**Ancient Aliens** CC		:02 **Ancient Aliens**		:05 **Ancient Aliens**	
HGTV	**Fixer to**	**Help-Wrecked**		**Backyard Takeover**		**Backyard**	**Hunters**
Learning	**Say Yes**	**Say Yes to the Dress** ((F)) (N)				**Say Yes, Dress**	
Lifetime	**Psycho Granny**	**Deranged Granny** ('20) Wendie Malick, Amanda Righetti. (P). CC				:03 **Killer Grandma** ('18) CC	
MSNBC	**MSNBC**	**MSNBC Live** (N)		**MSNBC Live** (N)		**Rachel Maddow**	
MTV	**Ridic.**	**Ridic.**	**Ridic.**	**Ridic.**	**Ridic.**	**Ridic.**	**Ridic.**
NBCSCH	:00 **MLB Baseball** Detroit Tigers at Chicago White Sox.					**Postgame**	**Football**
NFL	6:00 **NFL Football** CC			**NFL Football** From Nov. 17, 2019. CC			
Nick	**Loud**	**Unfiltered**	**Group**	**Sponge.**	**Sponge.**	**Friends**	**Friends**
NGEO	**Life Below Zero** (N) CC			**Life Below Zero** (N)		**Life Below Zero**	
Oxygen	**Dateline: Secrets**	**Dateline: Secrets Uncovered** CC		**Dateline: Secrets Uncovered** CC		**Dateline: Secrets Uncovered** CC	
Parmt	:00 **Tombstone** ('93) Kurt Russell. CC					**Bellator MMA Live**	
Showtime	6:45 **The Hunt for Red October** ('90) CC			**Clear and Present Danger** ('94) Harrison Ford, Willem Dafoe. CC			
Starz	**Charlie's Angels**	**Power Book II: Ghost** "The Stranger"		:10 **The Kingdom** ('07, Action) Jamie Foxx, Chris Cooper. CC			
STZENC	6:51 **Philadelphia** ('93, Drama) Tom Hanks. CC			**The American President** ('95) Michael Douglas, Annette Bening. CC			
SyFy	6:45 **Transporter 3** ('08, Action) Jason Statham. CC			**Walking Tall** ('04) The Rock, Johnny Knoxville. (P). CC (DVS)			
TBS	6:00 **Transformers** ('07) Shia LaBeouf. CC (DVS)			**Big Bang Theory**	**Big Bang Theory**	**Big Bang Theory**	**Big Bang Theory**
TCM	**The Sand Pebbles**	**Out of the Past** ('47) Robert Mitchum, Jane Greer. CC (DVS)				**Experiment Perilous** ('44)	
TMC	6:30 **Minority Report** ('02) Tom Cruise. CC			**Lifechanger** ('18, Horror) Lora Burke, Jack Foley. CC			**Rabid**
TNT	6:30 **Edge of Tomorrow**			**Eagle Eye** ('08) Shia LaBeouf.			
Travel	**Ghost**	**Ghost Adventures**		**Ghost Adventures** (N) CC			
TV Land	**Two Men**	**Two Men**	**Two Men**	**Two Men**	**Two Men**	**Two Men**	**Two Men**
USA	**Avengers: Age of Ultron** ('15, Action) Robert Downey Jr. The Avengers reassemble to battle a technological villain.						**Doctor Strange**
VH1	**Prince**	**Prince**	**Prince**	**Prince**	**Prince**	**Prince**	**Prince**
WGN-A	:00 **Blue Bloods**	**NewsNation** (N) (L) CC		**NewsNation** (N) (L) CC		**NewsNation** (N) (L) CC	

Surprise changes in plans strain women's friendship

Jeanne Phillips
Dear Abby

DEAR ABBY: I have a serious issue with my best girlfriend. We make plans together, adult plans, and then at the last minute, her kids drop the young grandkids off for her to babysit, curtailing any plans we have together. The past few times, we have changed our plans to a "kids" activity.

I have an extremely busy client load, and I'm losing income by accommodating my friend's time constraints, which revolve around making her husband's lunch and dinner. Although I'm single now (I am a widow), I do understand why she has her priorities. If her grandkids are there when we have plans, she asks me to pick them up fast food on the way over – on my dime.

I have kids and grandkids myself, and they are important to me. I'm tired of being held hostage by her adult children who I feel are using her and taking advantage of the "drop-in day care" with Nana. How can I talk to her about our time being important, too? I have intentionally NOT made plans with my grandkids if she and I have plans, and I would love some reciprocity. – Thrown Under The Bus

DEAR THROWN: If this happened occasionally, I would advise you to cut your friend some slack. However, because this happens often, tell her your dates with her are carefully scheduled, and when she changes them at the last minute, it has a negative impact on you economically. Point out that when you make dates with her, you let your children know they will have to arrange for another babysitter unless it is an emergency. And, if the last-minute changes continue, see her less often and arrange to socialize with other friends who appreciate your situation.

DEAR ABBY: I'm about to be 22. I have been talking to a man around my age for almost six months now. He tells me how special I am and how much I mean to him, but says he isn't ready for a relationship. We go on dates and do not have relations with other people. He says putting a "title" on us will give him accountability he doesn't want.

He claims to be over his ex, but he often mentions her. I know he was still conversing with her when we first started talking, but he lied about it. I'm not rushing a relationship because I know it takes time to get to know someone, but I want to know if he can see a future with me, and that is a question he will not answer.

I have attachment issues and don't want to let him go, but I can't help but feel as if I am not good enough for him (which he says is not the case). Should I move on or wait and see what the future holds? – Impatient In Illinois

DEAR IMPATIENT: Stop allowing your insecurity issues affect your common sense. You are both young, and your relationship has been going on for only six months.

He has been honest by admitting he isn't ready for a relationship or the titles that go with one. He may not answer your questions about a future because he doesn't know the answer, so stop pushing him. He may be more focused on work at this point than romance, and frankly, so should you be. If nothing has changed in another six months, consider dating others then.

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Is she just a friend-with-benefits?

Carolyn Hax

Adapted from an online discussion.

DEAR CAROLYN: I have been dating a man for three months. Neither of us has brought up whether we are in a relationship, although I trust we are exclusively dating. I want to be in a relationship and fear I am in the friends-with-benefits zone.

I tend to think it's best to wait for him to bring up that he wants to be in a relationship, not me, because then I know he really wants it and won't think I am trying to trap him into a relationship.

I know part of me is afraid of getting rejected because he got out of a very long relationship seven months ago, and maybe I am not ready to walk away if he rejects a relationship.

How do you think I should approach this? – FWB-Zoned

DEAR FWB-ZONED: Why aren't you worried he's trying to "trap" (ugh!) *you* into a relationship? He has value, but you don't?

And why isn't it possible he is waiting for you to bring up that you want to be in a relationship because he wants to know you really want it?

Uuuuuuuuuuuuuugh. Live! Your! Life!

Ask for what you want.

If you don't get it, then say, "Oh well, I tried," and then *walk away*. Hurt like hell. Have a cry. Eat some noodles. Go back to living your life.

Whatever you do, whomever you love, however you express yourself – just think of how much room there is for you to be you, in a variety of ways, throughout life – stop handing control of your relationships to other people. Stop waiting silently for them to figure out what you want and decide whether they'll give it to you.

Give yourself time to figure things out, sure, but don't just assume the begging position because that's the role you know.

Thank you very much.

DEAR CAROLYN: I am a single mom of three almost-grown kids. My 25-year marriage was loveless and the sex was forgettable.

I now find myself with a man who adores me and is easy to be around! He has depth, integrity and many great qualities, we laugh a lot (which was missing from my past relationships) and my kids love him. He has zero desire for sex. His doctor suggested some solutions, to no avail.

I don't really want to lose him, but I feel insecure without physical closeness. We have talked about this, but he is very proud.

What happens next? I suggested therapy and he doesn't think there is a problem. – Another Loveless Relationship

DEAR ANOTHER LOVELESS RELATIONSHIP: Meaning, he's OK with things as they are.

But you're not. So: Enjoy the company of this lovely friend, who is just a friend, and keep your heart, mind and calendar open just for you, including for the possibility of something/someone different.

Just because you love this person doesn't mean you have to center your life around him. Don't make an unsatisfying mistake twice.

Again: You be the center. Take your best care of yourself and be your best company. Have fun times with your friend when you feel like it and don't when you don't. See what else, who else, life has to offer.

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CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Starman's vessel
4 Padded
8 Crush
12 Censor
13 Language of Pakistan
14 Golden Rule word
15 Kyoto sash
16 Mix batter
17 Don Juan
18 Island welcomes
20 Thoughtless
22 Operatic voice
23 Writer — Rand
24 While
28 Quirk
31 Scintilla
34 "Foucault's Pendulum" author
35 Let use
36 Speak highly of
37 Make ends meet
38 Lotto info
39 Fast food chain
40 Flirtations
42 Moppet
44 Nest on a crag
48 Tarzan's moniker
51 Kind of knight
52 Sharp projection
53 Band instrument
55 Virus infection
56 — cheese dressing
57 Be obedient
58 Actor Danson
59 Staffer
60 Not too hot (hyph.)
61 Sault — Marie

DOWN
1 Convoy chaser (hyph.)
2 Tale
3 Hamburger extra
4 Nissan rival
5 Crude metals
6 Rx monitor
7 "Swan Lake" costume
8 Obscure
9 Sanctified
10 Leave awestruck
11 Whacked weeds
19 Surfer wannabe
21 Broken-down horse
25 Bulrush or cattail
26 Yucky
27 Lois Lane portrayer Neill
29 Terre Haute loc.
30 Music media
31 Variety
32 Clumsy one
33 Exhausted (with "out")
35 Also-ran
40 Potato st.
41 Rio Grande town
43 Infuse
45 Floating platforms
46 Fjord
47 Recital piece
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51 Zillions of years
54 Life story

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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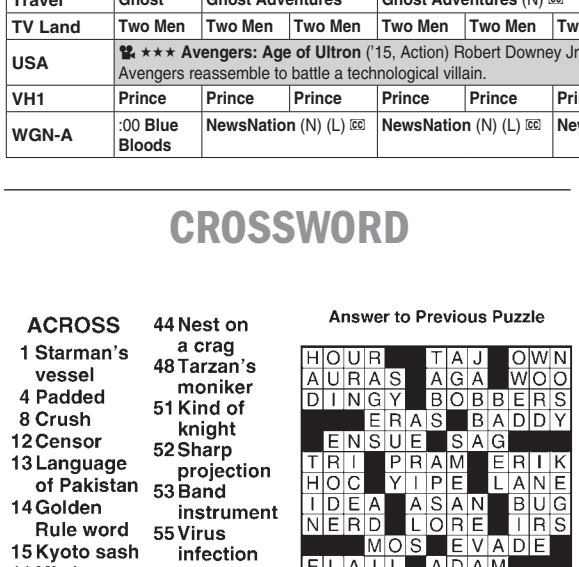

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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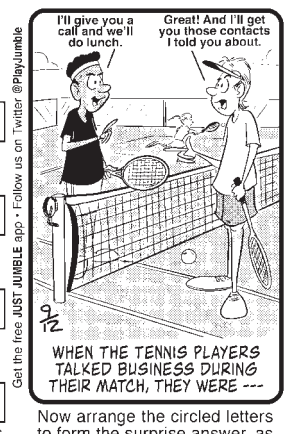
I'll give you a call and we'll do lunch.
Great! And I'll get you those contacts I told you about.
WHEN THE TENNIS PLAYERS TALKED BUSINESS DURING THEIR MATCH, THEY WERE ---
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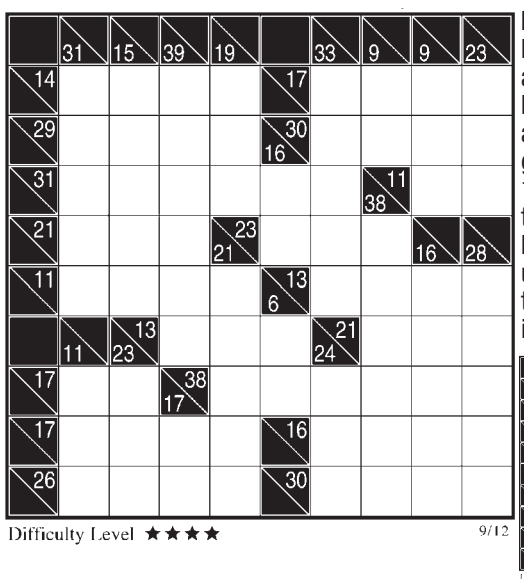
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer here: _____

(Answers Monday)

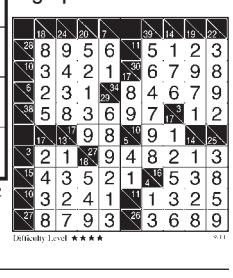
Yesterday's Jumbles: INEPT GUIDE BETTOR TOWARD
Answer: If the newspaper reporter was going to turn in the story in time, he'd need to — GET "WRITE" ON IT

KAKURO



How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.

Difficulty Level ★★★★ 9/12



BRIDGE

Many years ago, I had a dinner party at my house. When everyone was seated, there was one empty chair, so Max, my male cat, jumped up and sat on it. I thought that was very funny, but one of my guests was horrified.

Yesterday, I gave a quote by famous architect Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, suggesting that a chair is harder to design than a skyscraper. Here is a tough declarer-play problem. How should South have tried to make six spades? West led the heart queen. Declarer won with his ace and cashed the top trumps, learning that he had an unavoidable loser there.

After North's three-heart transfer bid, South's jump to four spades was a superaccept, promising four-card support, a maximum (he loved all of his aces and kings) and a doubleton somewhere. North bid what he hoped his partner could make.

When the trumps broke 3-1, it looked as though South had an unavoidable loser in each black suit. However, if West had at most two clubs, declarer saw that he might have been able to get home by way of an elimination and endplay.

After the heart ace and spade ace-king, South played the heart king. Then he had to hope that West couldn't ruff in until the elimination was completed. As declarer was assuming that West was short in clubs, he cashed dummy's three diamond winners before the club ace-king. When that all passed off peacefully, declarer exited with a trump.

Here, West had to return a heart or a diamond. South sluffed dummy's last club, ruffed in his hand and sat back contentedly in his chair.

North 09-12-20
♠ J 7 6 4 2
♥ 7 5
♦ A K Q
♣ 8 5 3

West
♠ Q 10 5
♥ Q J 10 8
♦ 9 8 5 2
♣ J 9

East
♠ 9
♥ 9 6 4 3 2
♦ J 10 3
♣ Q 10 7 6

South
♠ A K 8 3
♥ A K
♦ 7 6 4
♣ A K 4 2

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: North-South

South	West	North	East
2NT	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♠	Pass	6♠	All Pass

Opening lead: ♥ Q

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

4	5	6	3	7	1	9	8	2
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BAZAARS

HARTFORD: Van Buren County Museum, 58471 Red Arrow Highway, will host a community yard sale from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Sept. 19. Ten-by-10-foot spaces are available for rent for $20. Payment is due Sept. 19. Sellers must bring their own tables, chairs and canopies. The museum is seeking sellers who have typical yard sale items, crafts, antiques, small farm tools and more. There won't be food on site to buy. To register for a space, call the museum at 621-2188 and leave a message. The rain date will be Sept. 26. The museum will be open for viewing during the sale.

News of area bazaars and arts and crafts shows will be published Saturdays in The Herald-Palladium. Nonprofits that want to be included should email a news release at least two weeks in advance of their event to focus@TheHP.com.

ON CAMPUS

Dean's list

The following area students have been named to a college's dean's list.

Southwestern Michigan College Dowagiac

Dowagiac – Heather Adams, Elizabeth Turczi

Niles – Thierry Kenko, Ashley Scott, Ethan Shirk

President's list

The following area student has been named to a college's president's list.

Southwestern Michigan College Dowagiac

Berrien Springs – Shiloh Johnson

Coat drive returns

Coloma and Riverside United Methodist churches once again will hold a One Warm Coat drive from Sept. 28 to Oct. 12.

Coats, hats, gloves, scarves and boots in good condition can be dropped off at Riverside UMC, 4401 Fikes Road, Benton Harbor; Moss Chiropractic, 429 N. Paw Paw St., Coloma; or Edward Jones, 154 Badt Drive, Coloma.

Coats will be distributed to those in need from 9 a.m.-noon Oct. 17. Face masks will be required.

One Warm Coat was started in 1992 with a Thanksgiving weekend coat drive at one location in San Francisco. Now, there are thousands of groups across North America who have joined the effort with the goal to "collect coats to give to those in need, free of charge."

The nonprofit's dream is to become part of the American lifestyle – that when a coat is no longer needed, people will think of the organization and donate it.

Last winter, more than 500,000 people in need received free coats thanks in part to more than 4,000 coat drives nationwide, according to the organization's website.

For more information, call 849-1131 or visit www.onewarmcoat.org.

TREASURES

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years have more than 10-fold recovered the cost of his equipment. But it's not just about the money. Covey said he most enjoys the joyful reunions, the adventures and the stories.

"It's definitely been a worthwhile hobby," he said.

But "finding" isn't Covey's only mission. He's also committed to cleaning up the environment and helping hinder harm for beachgoers. He visits Grand Haven State Park nearly every Saturday evening or Sunday morning.

"I basically liken myself to being the lakeshore janitor," he said. "I pick up anything and everything on the beach from pop tops and bottle caps to rings and coins, metal spikes and shards. I don't want kids or anyone to step on that stuff."

2020 photo contest winners announced

COLOMA — The North Berrien Historical Museum has announced the winners of its 2020 North Berrien Photography Contest.

Each year, the contest invites Michigan photographers to submit images taken in the Bainbridge, Coloma, Hagar and Watervliet area.

This year, 28 photos were entered for consideration. From the entries, three winners and three honorable mentions were selected.

The six photographs, along with seven others chosen by the Twin City Camera Club, competed in the first ever Virtual People's Choice competition on the museum's Facebook page.

The winning photos of the contest were: "River Keeper" by Charlene Durfee in the senior division, "Farm Tower" by Lora Heinz in the adult division and "Dodge Truck" by Ziah Wagoner in the youth division. The photographs were determined by the judges to best represent and celebrate features of North Berrien's distinctive character.

Honorable mentions were awarded to Donna Lippert, Michelle Moffett and Starla Wagoner.

From Aug. 24-31, museum Facebook followers voted for their favorite entry. "Brick School" by Lippert took first place, accumulating 118 votes. Second place for People's Choice went to Durfee with 101 votes.

To view contest winners, visit the museum's website: www.northberrienhistory.org.

The winning photographers were awarded a restaurant gift certificate to the Friendly Tavern, Dairy Queen or Easy Street, courtesy of the Coloma-Watervliet Area Chamber of Commerce, a $25 gift card courtesy of the Twin City Camera Club, and a one-year membership to the North Berrien Historical Society.

Photo provided / Charlene Durfee

Charlene Durfee's photo, "River Keeper," was the winner of the senior division in this year's North Berrien Photography Contest. "My son, Rob, has spent much of his spare time this year social distancing in his canoe on the Paw Paw River Water Trail," Durfee said. "When I am not available to pick him up, he takes his bike in the canoe and rides back to his truck."

Photo provided / Lora Heinz

Lora Heinz's photo, "Farm Tower," was the winner of the adult division in this year's North Berrien Photography Contest. "When I came upon this building, it made me think of an old-fashioned farm," she said. "I thought it looked cool and was unique; a one of a kind. There is nothing like it throughout the county."

Photos provided

ABOVE: Donna Lippert's photo, "Brick School," was the People's Choice winner in this year's North Berrien Photography Contest. "The sunset was beautiful on Saturday, July 25," she said. "Then I noticed the old school in the foreground. This school is on Friday Road in Coloma." AT RIGHT: Ziah Wagoner's photo, "Dodge Truck," was the winner of the youth division in this year's North Berrien Photography Contest. "While visiting the North Berrien Historical Museum, I enjoyed seeing the 1924 Dodge Bros. car, which was made into a truck for the purpose of agricultural use in northern Berrien County," he said.

IN BRIEF

Federal employees to meet Sept. 22

ST. JOSEPH — Southwest Michigan Chapter 572 of the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association will meet at 5 p.m. Sept. 22 at the home of a member.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, attendees are asked to wear a mask. Current and retired federal employees, spouses and friends are welcome to attend. For the address, or more info, contact Jean Rowe at 782-2769 or jeanrowe70@comcast.net.

Vietnam pilots to meet Sept. 24

ST. JOSEPH — The Michigan Chapter of the Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association will meet for lunch at noon Sept. 24 at The Buck Burgers & Brews, 412 State St.

All Vietnam helicopter pilots and crew members are invited to attend. Attendees will share stories about their experiences flying in Vietnam.

Those interested in attending should email Glenn Youngstedt at glenn youngstedt@aol.com with their name, address and phone number no later than Sept. 21.

Face masks and social distancing will be required.

Three Oaks museum to hold pet election

THREE OAKS — Do you have a pup that's prime? A good citizen kitty? A civil servant snake?

Those are the questions The Region of Three Oaks Museum is asking area pet owners who want to enter their talented pets in its "Pet President of TROTOM" election.

Votes with accompanying voluntary contributions can be cast at local businesses displaying the ballot with all the candidates' pictures and platforms. The ballot will be rotated to participating businesses during October.

Final votes can be cast on Election Day – Nov. 3 – in the museum's newly acquired Old Township Hall, 8 E. Linden St. The winner will be determined by the total amount of donations submitted to each pet's platform.

To enter the election, owners should submit a 4-by-6-inch photo along with the pet's name, a brief statement of why it should be chosen for the honor and a $10 entry fee by Sept. 28.

Entries can be turned in from noon-5 p.m. Fridays through Sundays at the museum, 5 Featherbone Ave.; mailed to The Region of Three Oaks Museum, P.O. Box 121, Three Oaks, MI, 49128; or emailed to trotom museum@gmail.com.

HOUSE OF THE WEEK

Efficient farmhouse design

The kitchen is the heart of the home for many people, and this one really makes it a special place. A vaulted ceiling draws the eye up, while the spacious island gives you room for cooking and sitting. Windows provide a view of the porch.

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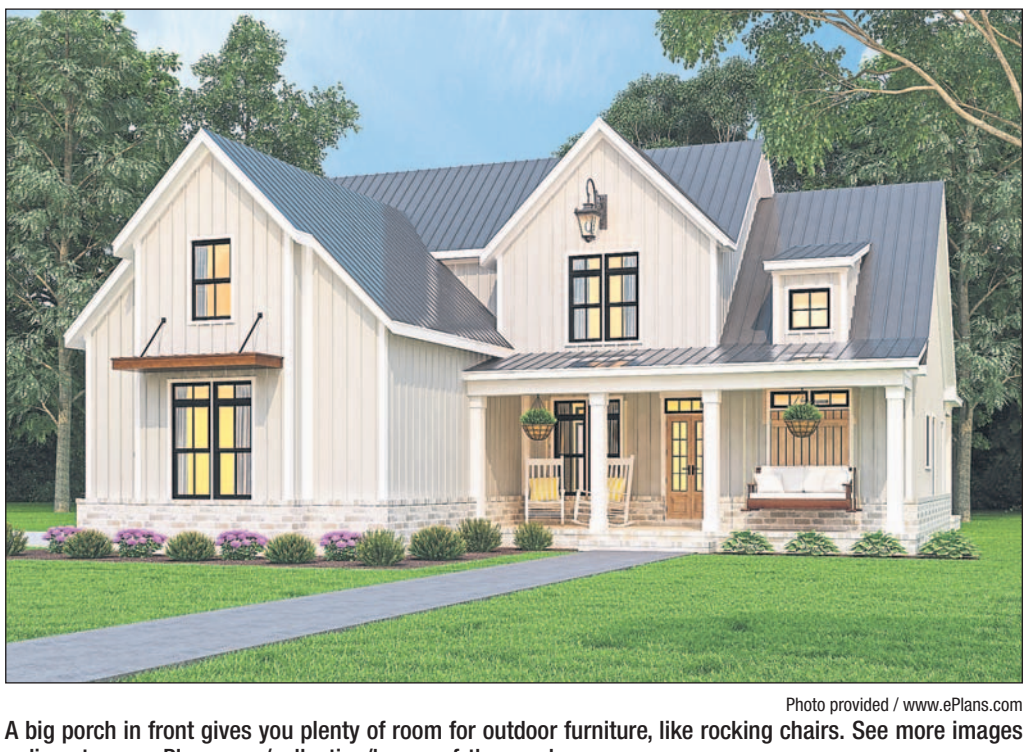

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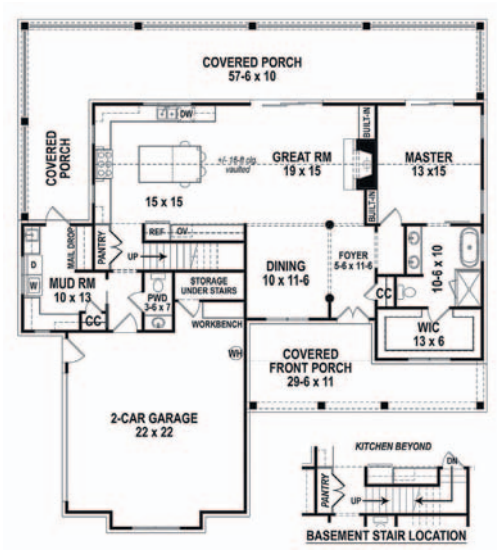
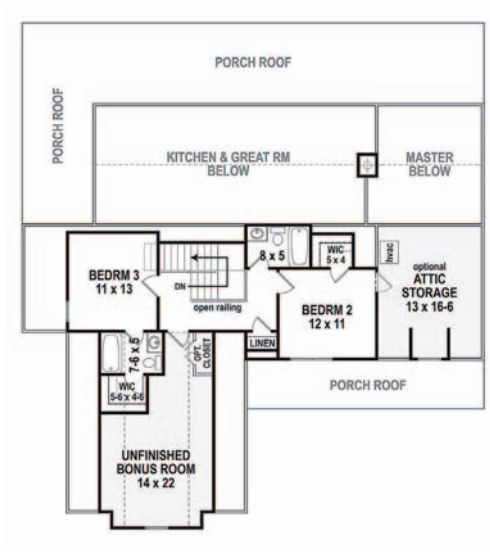
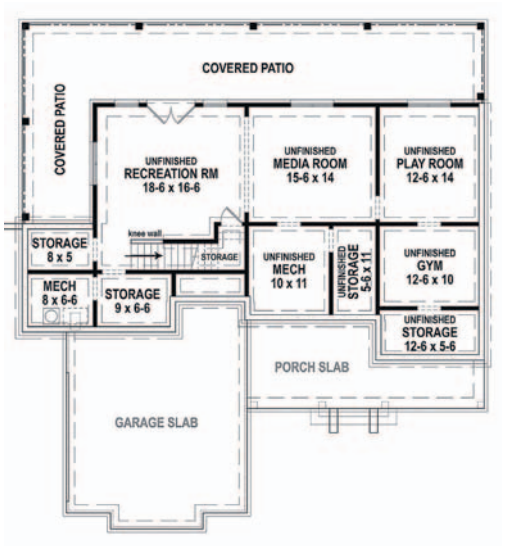
A big porch in front gives you plenty of room for outdoor furniture, like rocking chairs. See more images online at www.ePlans.com/collection/house-of-the-week.

Design number: 119-433	**Square footage:**	**Dimensions:**
Bedrooms: 3	1,999 square feet	58-feet by 63-feet
Baths: 3 1/2	**Bonus space:** 275 square feet	**Framing:** 2-by-4







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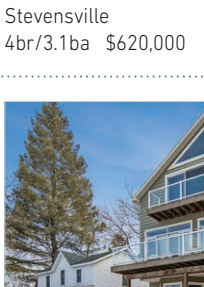

FEATURED HOME

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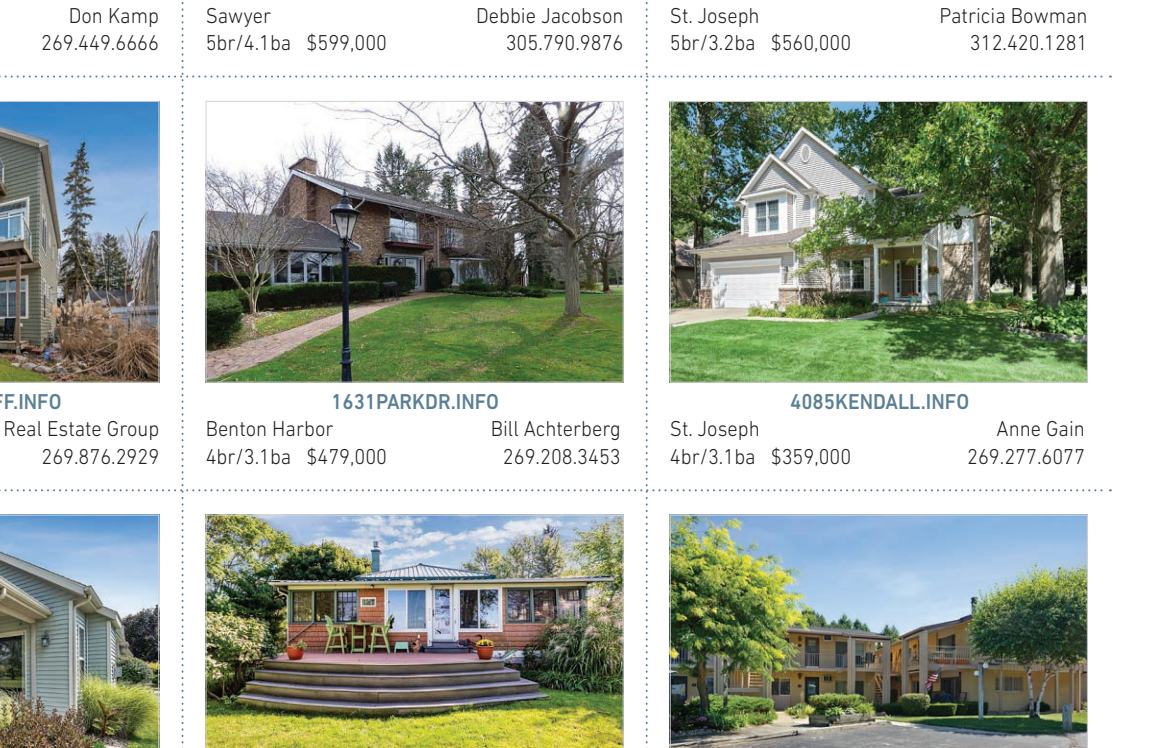

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- Finished lower family room

235 Northbridge Ct, Benton Harbor MI 49022 | $1,499,000

- 3 bds / 3.5 bath
- Spacious master bedroom and kitchen & dining area offer breathtaking views
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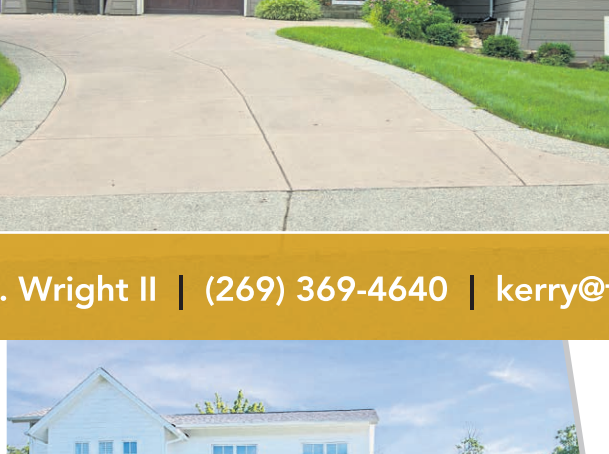

- 5 bds /5 bath home on a private riverfront lot
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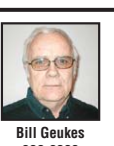
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By EUGENIA LAST

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

A change of attitude will lead to a new adventure. Revisit old problems and make adjustments to ensure you don't repeat your mistakes. Greater opportunity will come your way if you adapt to the changes going on around you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Consider what someone asks you to do and then determine the risks. A change is necessary. Figuring out what's best for you will be the key to your success.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Work with what you have. Overdoing it will lead to financial and emotional problems. Do your best to get along with others, but not at the expense of going into debt or putting your health at risk.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You'll see situations differently if you are open-minded, seek knowledge and information, and are dedicated to finding out the truth. Don't let a change someone makes upset you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Spend more time taking care of your financial and physical well-being. Refuse to let anyone handle personal matters for you. Stay in control. Avoid joint ventures and risky situations.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You'll change your mind regarding a lifestyle or domestic matter. Call on someone you trust to give you good advice regarding your options to come up with a workable solution.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Channel your energy into clearing up unfinished business. Look at personal investments as a safety net. A backup plan will ease your mind and make it easier for you to deal with everyday life.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Look for alternative ways to socialize that will not jeopardize your health or financial well-being. Share your feelings with a loved one and put a plan in place that gives you incentive to work hard.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be a leader. Know your worth and don't back down. Your strength and conviction will encourage others to listen to what you have to say. Don't let emotions interfere with common sense.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You'll have decisions to make regarding how you balance your time. Look at the possibilities and consider what will help you appease everyone, including yourself.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Pay more attention to your fitness and diet. Protect yourself from risky situations that could affect your finances, contracts or health. Keep matters in perspective. Love and romance are on the rise.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Say less and do more. Your reputation depends on your actions, not on empty promises. Look for innovative solutions to volatile situations. Anger will not be the answer.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Charm, intelligence, kindness and common sense will be the way to go. Put your energy into what matters to you and focus on using what you have going for you instead of trying unproven methods.

HOROSCOPE

By EUGENIA LAST

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

The past will provide insight into how best to proceed this year. Touch base with people who have been instrumental in helping you get ahead, and you will begin a collaboration that is certain to bring good results. You are overdue for a change, and with a little help from your friends, good things will transpire.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Keep your money in your pocket. Focus on offering reasonable help, not making a donation. Take pride in what you do, and don't shy away from doing your own thing. Personal growth and positive lifestyle changes are favored.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) A rational response is the best way to handle an emotional situation. Sit back, relax and offer practical suggestions. Back away from temptation or people who are a terrible influence.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Take the lead. Find solutions that accommodate family and friends, and set your plans in motion. An innovative approach will bring about positive change. Take the initiative and be a hero.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Stay in your comfort zone. Live within your means, and abide by the rules. You will set an example for people feeling pressured, uncertain or unduly tempted.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Emotions will rise to the surface due to conflicts over changes you want to make. Rethink your objective and motive, and you'll find a way to get what you want while pleasing loved ones.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Focus on meaningful relationships. Spend time with people who are mentally stimulating and undeniably fun and thought-provoking. A mental challenge will lead to new ideas.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) What you do to help others will be applauded and will bring about positive change, but don't put yourself in harm's way. Abide by the recommendations put forth by experts first and foremost.

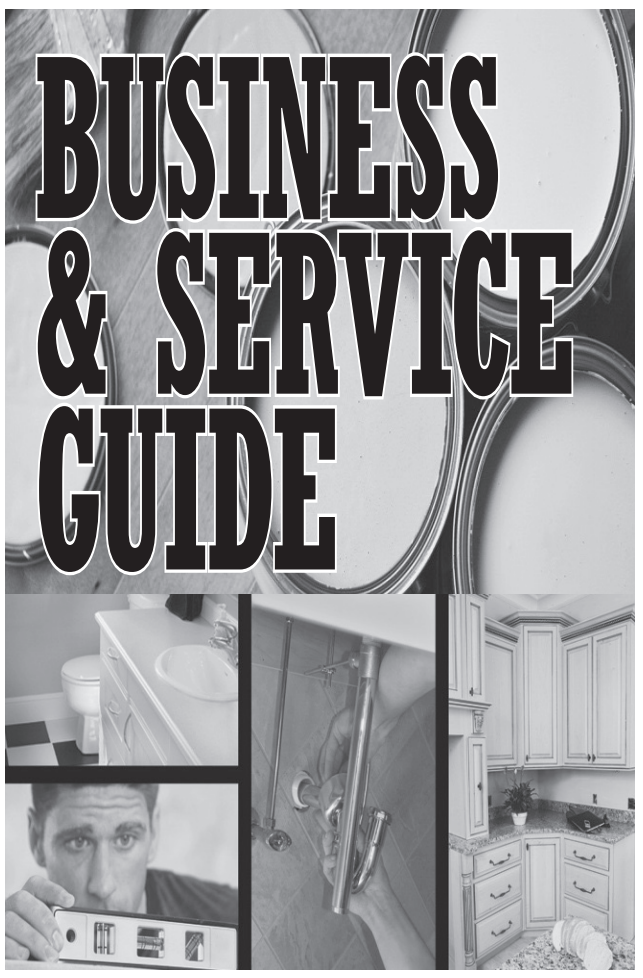
ARIES (March 21-April 19) Spend time with a loved one. Make plans that will nourish an important relationship. Don't let anger or discord rule the roost. Romance is favored.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Keep an open mind when dealing with emotional and domestic matters. Listen and consider suggestions rather than force your will on others. Take the necessary precautions to protect your health and well-being.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Aim to get things done on time with the least amount of friction. If an argument erupts with someone close to you, it will ruin your plans. Allow others their opinions without discounting your own.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Partnerships will stress you out and test your patience. Take a step back and do your own thing. Work on home improvements, tidy up loose ends and find ways to make money in your spare time.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Don't buy into something that doesn't make sense. Use your charm and intellect to navigate your way through any situation that might compromise you physically, financially or emotionally.



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1 Scratches (out)
5 Serving perfectly
10 Bargain bin caveat
14 Really stands out
18 Amethyst hue
20 Really sore
21 Org. for women drivers
22 Sunscreen additive
23 Problem for an aspiring thespian
25 Bird clumsy on land
26 Brightly colored
27 Handspeak.com subj.
28 Acknowledge silently
29 "The Mask of Zorro" scene
31 Bothered a lot
32 "New Rules" author Bill
34 Paper mate?
35 "My bad"
39 Like in many ways, with "to"
43 Survey choice
44 Barilla alternative
45 Story-telling dance
46 Panamanian pronoun
47 Superclean, as surgical tools
50 Help explain, with "on"
54 Energizer specification
55 Prestige
57 Resistance units
58 Hirsch of "Into the Wild"
59 "Tik Tok" singer
60 Art class adhesive
61 Did a farrier's work
62 Prado display
65 Real predicament
70 Cameo stone
71 Athlete's road to recovery
73 Country bordering Vietnam
74 Leavening agent
76 Mother of Eric and Donald Jr.
77 "Ghostbusters" (2016) director Paul
78 Instagram logo image
80 Meat in a typical Denver omelet
83 NBC debut of 1975
86 Reveal
88 "Spare me the deets"
89 Nordstrom rival
90 Aparicio of Cooperstown
92 It may be negotiable
93 4 or 5 is a good one for a coll. hopeful
95 Discovery voyage
99 First animal in the Chinese zodiac
100 Sharp
101 Parisian gal pals
102 Tucking-in wish
106 One in a Sun Salutation sequence
107 Lady in a flock
110 "Sup"
111 Isaac's eldest
112 Visible ... or, literally, where most inner letters of this puzzle's eight other longest Across answers are situated
115 Part of a list
116 Sources of quick cash
117 Agent's collection
118 Noses out
119 Suffix denoting quality
120 "The Simpsons" watering hole
121 Winter Palace rulers
122 Japanese video game giant

DOWN

1 Queen of Arendelle
2 Handy collections
3 Mideast airline
4 Give a little
5 Another name for a car's spoiler
6 Beastie
7 "Othello" flag-bearer
8 Ultimate degree
9 Figure out
10 Not even close
11 Animal trail
12 Composer Stravinsky
13 Construction site convenience
14 Sorrento sandwiches
15 Designer Cassini
16 Bear who loves "hunny"
17 Text status
19 Face-off spot
24 Those opposed
29 "Zip it!"
30 Sow and cow
31 State as fact
32 Could possibly
33 Shivering fit
35 He hit 60+ homers three times without leading the league
36 Sundance's sweetie
37 Bird hunted by gauchos
38 Level, in Liverpool
39 Totals
40 Multitude
41 Large furniture chain
42 For adults only
45 Family workout place
48 Glaswegian girl
49 Amazon smart speaker brand
51 One in a tiny house
52 Feng __: decorating philosophy
53 "Crack a window, will ya?"
56 Road hogs
59 Reeves of "John Wick"
60 Lost driver's aid, briefly
62 __ Nashville: country record label
63 Overhaul
64 To wit
66 Drops in a forecast
67 Hindu mystic
68 Lab order?
69 Fictional Georgia spread
72 Coast in a tub?
75 "Ask nicely"
77 Fraudulent
78 Water slide
79 Bickering
80 Nixon's last chief of staff
81 Part of a foot
82 Bump into
84 Group in a pub competition
85 Excess
87 Ritual for some eight-day-olds
91 "Friday the 13th" horror genre
94 Trounces
95 Downhill ski run
96 Castaway's shelter
97 Buildups for many returning vacationers
98 Resident on the Gulf of Bothnia
100 Athlete's best effort
102 Place for a pad
103 Lo-cal
104 Spider's eight, usually
105 What ":" can mean
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107 Toaster Swirlz brand
108 Question of time
109 Amazon Handmade rival
112 Quick quality
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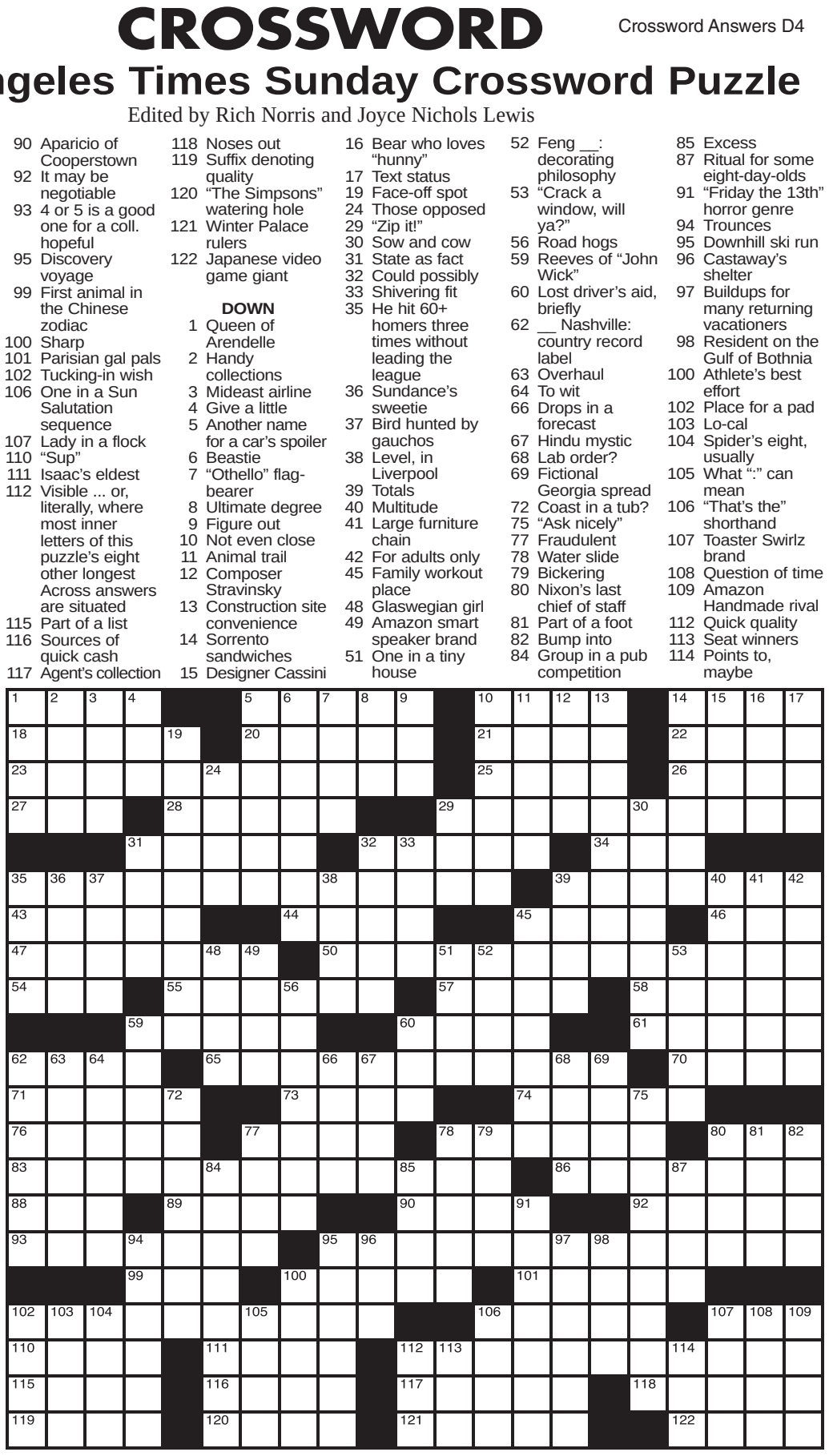
114 Points to, maybe



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FILE NO.: 63-2020-CP- 0010
DIVISION: PROBATE

IN RE: ESTATE OF
THOMAS LEE DARNELL
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of THOMAS LEE DARNELL, deceased, whose date of death was March 29, 2020; is pending in the Circuit Court for Union County, Florida, Probate Division; File No. 63-2020-CP- 0010; the address of which is 55 West Main Street Lake Butler, Florida 32054. The names of the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons, who have claims or demands against the decedent's estate, including unmatured, contingent or unliquidated claims, and who have been served a copy of this Notice, must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons who have claims or demands against decedent's estate, including unmatured, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE IS: August 13, 2020.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN
BERRIEN COUNTY TRIAL COURT -
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SODUS TOWNSHIP,

Plaintiff,

vs.

RONALD D. BERRY AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, AND ASSIGNEES OF RONALD D. BERRY, and FIFTH THIRD BANK. Successor of Old Kent Bank,

Defendants.

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Attorneys for Plaintiff
1014 Main Street, P.O. Box 318
St. Joseph, MI 49085
Telephone: 269.982.1600

ORDER FOR GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S EX PARTE VERIFIED MOTION FOR ALTERNATIVE SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

At a session of said Court, held in the City of St. Joseph, County of Berrien, State of Michigan on the 8th day of June, 2020.

PRESENT: HON DM Wiley, Circuit Court Judge

This matter having come before the Court on Plaintiff's Ex Parte Verified Motion for Alternative Service of Process by Publication, pursuant to MCR 2.105(I) and 2.106, and in light of the Verified Motion, the Court declines to necessitate a hearing on the Motion; and the Court being otherwise fully advised in the premises;
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that pursuant to 2.106, Plaintiff may serve Ronald D. Berry and the unknown, heirs, devisees or assigns of Ronald D. Berry by publishing a copy of this Order once each week for three (3) consecutive weeks in the following newspapers in Berrien County, Michigan: Herald Palladium

"An action pursuant to MCL 600.2932 seeking an Order to quiet title has been commenced by Plaintiff, Sodus Township, against Ronald D. Berry and the unknown heirs, devisees and assigns of Ronald D. Berry in the Berrien County Trial Court-Civil Division for the State of Michigan.

Ronald D. Berry and all heirs, devisees or assigns of Ronald D. Berry must answer or take other action as permitted by law within 28 days after the last publication date. If no answer or other action is taken within the time allowed, the Court may enter a judgment or order quieting title and allowing sale of real estate commonly known as 2949 Algonquin Drive, Sodus, Michigan 49126 legally described as: Lot 46, St. Joseph River Highlands No. 2, according to the Plat thereof, recorded March 26, 1968, in Volume 21 of Plats, page 28 Berrien County Records.
PIN# 11-19-7120-0046-00-0

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that pursuant to 2.106 (D)(2), Plaintiff is not required to mail a copy of the Order to Ronald D. Berry or unknown Defendants because addresses are unknown.

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Dated: 6/8/2020

DM Wiley,
Trial Court Judge

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LEGALS

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Vehicles For Sale:

2005 Gray Ford Ranger
Extended Cab
2 wheel Drive
Mileage 49,476
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2004 Gray Ford Crown
Victoria
2 wheel drive
4 Door
Mileage 62,343

Sealed bids due at the Township Hall by Noon, September 28th, 2020.

Vehicles may be seen at St. Joseph Charter Township Hall, 3000 Washington Ave., St. Joseph, MI,
269-429-7703

LEGALS

STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF BERRIEN

FILE NO.
2020-0448-NC-M

In the matter of:
Heaven Leighanne Hahn

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including:

whose addresses is/are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be held on October 6, 2020, at 9:50 a.m. at 811 Port St., St. Joseph, MI 49085 via ZOOM before Judge Mabel Johnson Mayfield P-41498 for the following purpose:
Petition to Change Name from Heaven Leighanne Hahn to Leighvi Andrew Hahn.

"Take Notice: This will be a remote Courtroom proceeding using Zoom. If you wish to participate in the proceeding, you must contact the Probate Court at 269-983-7111 x8365 to request instructions on how to participate."

Petitioner:
Heaven Hahn
11159 Red Arrow Hwy,
Lot 268
Bridgman, MI 49106
269-779-4650

Cook

River Valley School
District
Employment info at:
www.rivervalleyschools.org
Deadline: Until Filled

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOUND

Hartford, MI
CAT FOUND near
62nd St. & 66th Ave.
If it might be yours,
call or text
616-826-6962

EMPLOYMENT

GENERAL HELP

Stevensville, MI

POOL GUYS

$20/Hour - Crew Leaders
$14/Hour - Helpers
Driver's License Required
Sensationalhottubs@att.net

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Long-Term Substitute Art Teacher

River Valley
School District
Employment info at:
www.rivervalley
schools.org
Deadline: Until Filled

The Town of Trail Creek is seeking applications for a part time street employee. The candidate will work through out the week and some weekend hours, in addition to possibly being on call for a tree down or during the winter months. The candidate must have the following skills and knowledge to be eligible:
Perform routine general maintenance, operate and utilize all town equipment as directed by the street commissioner. Assist in leaf pickup , patching potholes, storm maintenance and other misc. jobs given by the street commissioner. Must have high diploma, valid drivers license and must be able to lift or carry 50lbs.
Please contact the street commissioner, Chris Ott to set up a time to get an application at 219-872-4780

BENTON CHARTER TOWNSHIP

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OPERATOR

Benton Charter Township will be accepting applications for a Water Distribution System Operator beginning September 10, 2020 through September 18, 2020.

This is an entry level position. The position requires semiskilled work in the installation and removal, connecting and disconnecting of water meters. Work is performed under the direction of the Water Distribution System Supervisor. The Water Distribution System Operator must be able to routinely perform, after sufficient training, duties involving water distribution system construction, repair, operations, including water meter reading, installation, testing,

GENERAL HELP

and repair, cross connection compliance, and general system administration.

All applicants must possess a high school diploma, must obtain an S-4 operator certification within the time requirements of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.
In addition, all applicants must be able to pass physical examination and drug/alcohol screening test, background check, and possess a commercial driver's license. Other minimum qualifications apply.

Beginning salary is $30,000 to $40,000 with benefits.

Applications may be obtained at the Benton Charter Township Hall, 1725 Territorial Rd., Bldg. B.,
Benton Harbor, Michigan 49022. All applications and/or resumes should be sent to Mike Baldwin,
Water Department Supervisor, 555 N. Crystal Ave., Benton Harbor, Michigan 49022, email mikebaldwin@bentoncharter township-mi.gov
E.O.E.

Carolyn Phillips
Township Clerk

SKILLED TRADE

The City of St. Joseph is currently accepting applications for the position of a full-time Laborer in the Parks and Cemetery Division. Applicants are required to have a valid Michigan Driver's license with a safe driving record, a valid Michigan Category 6 pesticide applicators certification or ability to obtain one within the employment probationary period. To apply, please submit a resume to the City of St Joseph Personnel Department, 700 Broad St,
St. Joseph, MI

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SKILLED TRADE

49085, or lmoore@sjcity.com. A full job description is available at www.sjcity.com. Resumes will be accepted until Friday,
October 2, 2020.

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

Country Manor
Care Center
in Bridgman
Now Hiring
Part-time Fri & Sat
(Cook)
Will Train
Call Debbie btw
9 am to 6 pm
269-326-1225

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GARAGE/ESTATE SALES

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'Snooze You Lose'

2745 Ohio Street
Friday and Saturday,
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Exercise bike, antiques, pool ladder, automatic pool cleaners, 3 strollers, high chair, dressers, old Michigan City pictures, old jewelry, umbrella and stand, air purifier, dog crate, plus lots more!

Berrien Center, MI
MOVING SALE
Sept. 10, 11 & 12
9:00 - 5:00
8280 Lake Road
Berrien Center, MI

Craftsman & Husky tools, Craftsman toolboxes, Blue Hawk shelves, ladders, air compressor, snow blower, lawn equipment, furniture, small kitchen appliances, dishes, household items, antiques & jewelry.

MERCHANDISE

SPORTING GOODS

Stevensville, MI
Nordictrack Ellipse
Exercise Machine
Excellent Condition
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FURNITURE

LaPorte, IN
Matching Couch &
Love Seat - Queen
Bed & Full Size Bed
- Office Desks - End
Tables & More call
419-350-4520 for
appointment to view

WANTED TO RENT/ BUY/TRADE

Benton Harbor, MI
3 Pillars Music is looking to buy record albums from 1970s to present, older guitars and comic books.
Please contact Tom at 269-313-7001 or 3pillarsmusic@gmail.com

WANTED TO RENT/ BUY/TRADE

Wanted to Rent!
House/trailer in
Fish Lake/Mill Creek
area for the month
of November. Will
provide references.
920-622-5755

PETS

CATS/DOGS/PETS

Stevensville, MI
Kittens for Sale
2 Male & 2 Female
$5 each
269-428-2485

FARM

TRANSPORTATION

CARS FOR SALE

La Porte, IN
2005 Ford Focus SE
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133,150 miles
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Good Condition
$1750
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CDL with P endorsement needed, but will train if hired.
Knowledge of service area a plus!
Applications available Mon through Fri, 9 am to 5 pm at Van Buren Public Transit, 610 David Walton Drive, Bangor, MI 49013; or online at:
https://www.vbco.org/downloads/vbt_application2012_1.pdf
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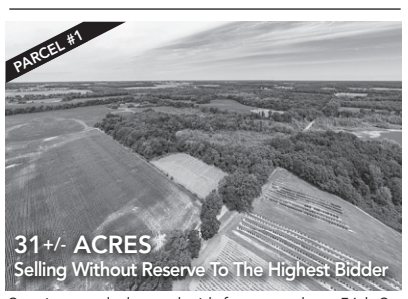
IN THE CLASSIFIEDS TODAY!

ONLINE ONLY AUCTION
Bidding Closes Thursday, October 1st – 11 AM (ET)
Blue Star Farm
DECATUR, MI

189+/- ACRES
– OFFERED IN 2 PARCELS –
Beautiful Home, Recreational Hunting Land, Farm Land and More!
Maps, Auction Info & Bidding Instructions Available Online!



Scenic, wooded parcel with frontage along 56th St.
Ideal location for homesite with unlimited recreational opportunity.

Beautiful 4 bed, 2.5 bath, private home with large shop building and RV parking shed.
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Real Estate: Sheri L. Gallimore, Real Estate Broker, 6607 W. St Joseph St, Lansing, MI 48917

Answer To Today's Puzzle

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LEASE FOR ONLY $159 PER MONTH*

36 MONTH LEASE WITH APPROVED CREDIT, 10,500 MILES PER YEAR, $2,800 DUE AT SIGNING, PLUS 1ST PAYMENT, TAX, TITLE, DOC FEE, PLATE FEE, SECURITY DEPOSIT WAIVED, *MUST QUALIFY FOR FORD RCL RENEWAL & FORD RCL TRADE-IN ASSISTANCE CASH, OFFER EXPIRES 09/30/20

2020 FORD F-150 SUPERCREW XLT 4X4

ICONIC SILVER, 2.7 ECOBOOST ENGINE, XLT CHROME APPEARANCE PACKAGE, LOCKING REAR AXLE, NAVIGATION, POWER SLIDING REAR WINDOW, REMOTE START, TRAILER HITCH AND MUCH MORE! F20112

LEASE FOR ONLY $199 PER MONTH*

24 MONTH LEASE WITH APPROVED CREDIT, 10,500 MILES PER YEAR, $3,900 DUE AT SIGNING, PLUS 1ST PAYMENT, TAX, TITLE, DOC FEE, PLATE FEE, SECURITY DEPOSIT WAIVED, *MUST QUALIFY FOR FORD LEASE RENEWAL, OFFER EXPIRES 09/30/20

2020 FORD ESCAPE SE ALL WHEEL DRIVE

DARK PERSIAN GREEN, 1.5 ECOBOOST ENGINE, FORD CO-PILOT 360, HEATED FRONT SEATS, BACK-UP CAMERA, AND MUCH MORE! F20317

LEASE FOR ONLY $199 PER MONTH*

24 MONTH LEASE WITH APPROVED CREDIT, 10,500 MILES PER YEAR, $3,250 DUE AT SIGNING, PLUS 1ST PAYMENT, TAX, TITLE, DOC FEE, PLATE FEE, SECURITY DEPOSIT WAIVED, *MUST QUALIFY FOR FORD RCL TRADE-IN ASSISTANCE BONUS CASH, OFFER EXPIRES 09/30/20

2020 FORD ECOSPORT SE

RUBY RED METALLIC, POWER MOONROOF, HEATED FRONT SEATS, REAR VIEW CAMERA, REVERSE SENSING SYSTEM, AND MUCH MORE! F20250

MSRP	$25,090
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 595
FORD RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 4,500
FORD CREDIT RETAIL BONUS CASH*	- 1,000
FORD RETAIL COMPETITIVE CONQUEST BONUS CASH*	- 500
FORD COMPETITIVE CONQUEST BONUS CASH*	- 500
FORD BONUS CASH	- 500

SALE PRICE* $17,495

(*MUST QUALIFY/MUST FINANCE THRU FORD MOTOR CREDIT)

2020 FORD EXPEDITION LTD 4X4 STEALTH EDITION

ICONIC SILVER METALLIC, NAVIGATION, PANORAMIC VISTA ROOF, ENHANCED ACTIVE PARK ASSIST, 360 DEGREE CAMERA, 3.5 ECOBOOST ENGINE, HEAVY DUTY TRAILER TOW PACKAGE, ADVANCED CARGO MANAGER, ROOF RAIL CROSSBARS, 2ND ROW OUTBOARD INFLATABLE SEATBELTS, AND MUCH MORE! F20320

MSRP	$77,300
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 3,005
FORD RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 2,000
FORD CONQUEST BONUS CASH*	- 3,000
FORD SELECT INVENTORY RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 750
FORD RETAIL TRADE-IN ASSISTANCE BONUS CASH*	- 1,250
FORD CREDIT RETAIL BONUS CASH*	- 1,250

SALE PRICE* $66,045

(*MUST QUALIFY/MUST FINANCE THRU FORD MOTOR CREDIT)

2020 FORD EXPLORER PLATINUM 4WD

STAR WHITE METALLIC TRI-COAT, HANDS FREE LIFT GATE, 3.0 ECOBOOST V6 ENGINE, 20 INCH BRIGHT MACHINE FACE ALUMINUM WHEELS, 14 SPEAKERS, 10 INCH TOUCH SCREEN, TWIN PANEL MOON ROOF, FIRST AND 2ND ROW HEATED SEATS, HEATED STEERING WHEEL, POWERFOLD THIRD SEAT, 360 DEGREE CAMERA, ACTIVE PARK ASSIST, B & O SOUND SYSTEM, NAVIGATION, REMOTE START, AND MUCH MORE! F20040

MSRP	$61,155
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 2,338
FORD RETAIL BONUS CASH	- 2,500
FORD SELECT INVENTORY RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 750
FORD RETAIL TRADE-IN ASSISTANCE BONUS CASH*	- 1,000
FORD RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 500

SALE PRICE* $54,067

(*MUST QUALIFY)

2020 FORD TRANSIT XLT 10 PASSENGER ALL WHEEL DRIVE VAN

KAPOOR RED, 10 PASSENGER SEATING, TRAILER TOW PACKAGE, NAVIGATION, FORGED ALUMINUM WHEELS, TRAILER BRAKE CONTROLLER, REMOTE START, RUNNING BOARDS, PRIVACY GLASS AND MUCH MORE! F20061

MSRP	$52,550
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 2,555
FORD RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 1,500
FORD SELECT INVENTORY RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 750
FORD SPECIAL PACKAGE RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 500
FORD COMPETITIVE CONQUEST BONUS CASH*	- 1,000

SALE PRICE* $46,245

(*MUST QUALIFY)

2020 FORD F-350 FLATBED

OXFORD WHITE, 6.2 V8 ENGINE, 12 FOOT PLATFORM FLATBED, TRAILER BRAKE CONTROLLER, RUNNING BOARDS, POWER WINDOWS AND LOCKS, AND MUCH MORE! F20280

MSRP	$40,585
ADD FOR 12 FOOT FLATBED	+ 7,379
SUBTOTAL	$47,964
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 1,969
FORD F-SERIES RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 500
FORD COMMERCIAL UPFIT BONUS CASH*	- 1,000

SALE PRICE* $44,495

(*MUST QUALIFY)

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RAM CHRYSLER Jeep DODGE

ADVENTURE DAYS 80TH

POWER DAYS RAM

2020 RAM PROMASTER 3500 EXTENDED LENGTH CARGO VAN DEMO

BRIGHT WHITE, CARGO PARTITION, REAR PARK ASSIST, SPEED CONTROL, INTERIOR CONVENIENCE GROUP, AND MUCH MORE! C20100

MSRP	$44,045
SIEMANS DEMO DISCOUNT	- 2,050
REBATE	- 1,000
ON THE JOB COMMERICAL UPFIT	- 1,000
PROMASTER CONQUEST BONUS CASH*	- 750
COMMERCIAL BONUS CASH*	- 1,000
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$38,245
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500

AS LOW AS $37,745

(*MUST QUALIFY)

2020 RAM 1500 CREW CAB LARAMIE 4X4

DELMONICO RED PEARL, LEATHER BUCKET SEATS, SPORT APPEARANCE PACKAGE, ANTI-SPIN REAR AXLE, WHEEL TO WHEEL SIDE STEPS, 5.7 HEMI V8, NAVIGATION, BLIND SPOT AND CROSS PATH DETECTION, PARKSENSE FRONT/REAR PARK ASSIST, HEATED FRONT SEATS, 20 INCH WHEELS, HEATED STEERING WHEEL, AND MUCH MORE! C20148

MSRP	$56,555
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 4,310
REBATE	- 1,000
CHRYSLER CAPITAL BONUS CASH*	- 500
RAM BONUS CASH COUPON	- 250
RETAIL BONUS CASH	- 1,500
GREAT LAKES ENGINE BONUS CASH	- 1,000
TRUCK OWNER CONQUEST BONUS CASH*	- 1,000
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$46,995
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500
CONQUEST LEASE CASH*	- 500

AS LOW AS $45,995

(*MUST QUALIFY/MUST FINANCE THRU CHRYSLER CAPITAL)

2020 RAM 2500 CREW CAB 4X4

BLACK, 6.4 V8 ENGINE, HEAVY DUTY SNOW PLOW PREP PACKAGE, CHROME APPEARANCE GROUP, ANTI-SPIN REAR AXLE, REAR WINDOW DEFROSTER, TOUCH SCREEN AND MUCH MORE! C20140

MSRP	$44,725
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 2,500
CHRYSLER CAPITAL BONUS CASH*	- 1,500
RAM ENGINE BONUS CASH	- 500
RAM BONUS COUPON	- 750
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$39,475
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500
RETURNING LESSEE CASH*	- 500

AS LOW AS $38,475

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2020 DODGE JOURNEY

VICE WHITE, 3RD ROW SEATING, TOUCH SCREEN RADIO, PARK SENSE REAR PARK ASSIST, AND MUCH MORE! C20139

MSRP	$24,990
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 500
REBATE	- 2,250
CHRYSLER CAPITAL BONUS CASH*	- 1,000
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$21,240
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500
CONQUEST LEASE CASH*	- 500

AS LOW AS $20,240

(*MUST QUALIFY/MUST FINANCE THRU CHRYSLER CAPITAL)

2019 RAM 3500 CREW CAB 4X4 DUMP TRUCK DEMO

BRIGHT WHITE, 6.7 CUMMINS DIESEL, CHROME TUBULAR STEPS, TRAILER BRAKE CONTROLLER, CHROME APPEARANCE GROUP, TOUCH SCREEN RADIO, INTEGRATED VOICE COMMAND WITH BLUETOOTH, REMOTE START, VOTH ALUMINUM DUMP BODY WITH DROP SIDES, HITCH, AND MUCH MORE! C19201

MSRP	$57,190
ADD FOR DUMP BODY	+14,785
SUBTOTAL	$71,975
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 10,480
RAM BONUS COUPONS	- 250
GREAT LAKES RAM BONUS CASH	- 2,000
ON THE JOB COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT UPFIT*	- 1,000
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$58,245
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500
GREAT LAKES BC CONQUEST LEASE TO RETAIL/LEASE*	- 500

AS LOW AS $57,245

(*MUST QUALIFY)

2020 CHRYSLER PACIFICA LIMITED

GRANITE CRYSTAL, POWER FOLDING THIRD SEAT, HANDS FREE SLIDING DOORS, NAVIGATION, HEATED FIRST AND SECOND ROW SEATS, HANDS FREE POWER LIFTGATE, REMOTE START, TRI-PANE PANORAMIC SUNROOF, HEATED STEERING WHEEL, BLIND SPOT AND CROSS PATH DETECTION, AND MUCH MORE! C20196

MSRP	$46,290
EMPLOYEE PRICING DISCOUNT	- 3,648
EMPLOYEE PRICING FOR EVERYONE	$42,642
REBATE	- 2,000
LABOR DAY RETAIL BONUS CASH	- 1,000
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$39,642
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500
RETURNING LESSEE CASH*	- 750

AS LOW AS $38,392

(*MUST QUALIFY)

2020 JEEP CHEROKEE LATITUDE PLUS 4X4

DIAMOND BLACK CRYSTAL, REMOTE START, HEATED STEERING WHEEL, HEATED FRONT SEATS, TOUCH SCREEN, BLIND SPOT AND CROSS PATH DETECTION, BACK-UP CAMERA, AND MUCH MORE! C20120

LEASE FOR $229/MO*

36 MONTH LEASE WITH APPROVED CREDIT, 10,000 MILES PER YEAR, $3,600 DUE AT SIGNING, PLUS 1ST PAYMENT, TAX, TITLE, DOC FEE, PLATE FEE, SECURITY DEPOSIT WAIVED, MUST QUALIFY FOR CHRYSLER LEASE RENEWAL) OFFER EXPIRES 09/30/20

2020 JEEP RENEGADE LIMITED 4X4

GRAPHITE CRYSTAL, LEATHER SEATS, 1.3 TURBO ENGINE, TOUCH SCREEN RADIO, HEATED STEERING WHEEL, HEATED FRONT SEATS, 18 INCH ALUMINUM WHEELS, REMOTE START, AND MUCH MORE! C20178

LEASE FOR $179/MO*

36 MONTH LEASE WITH APPROVED CREDIT, 10,000 MILES PER YEAR, $3,100 DUE AT SIGNING, PLUS 1ST PAYMENT, TAX, TITLE, DOC FEE, PLATE FEE, SECURITY DEPOSIT WAIVED, MUST QUALIFY FOR CHRYSLER LEASE RENEWAL) OFFER EXPIRES 09/30/20

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45th ANNIVERSARY USED VEHICLE SALE

2016 JEEP COMPASS LATITUDE

2.0 EFI Engine, CVT Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 31K Miles, Remote Start, High Altitude Edition, Power Driver's Seat, Leather Heated Front Seats, Power Moon Roof, Touchscreen Display, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Jeep Certified! Black U20127

Was $17,500 NOW $15,434

2017 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 44K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, CD-Player, Blind Spot Information System, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Ruby Red U20131A

Was $24,500 NOW $23,998

2017 GMC ACADIA SLT AWD

3.6 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 68K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Seating, Power Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Gold F20108A

Was $25,618 NOW $24,362

2017 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Polished Aluminum Wheels, 26K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Power Panoramic Moon Roof, Blind Spot Monitoring, Reverse Sensing System Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Platinum U20123

Was $26,553 NOW $24,994

2019 FORD FUSION SE

1.5 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 9K Miles, SYNC 3, Power Front Seats, Auto Climate Control, Lane-Keeping System, Pre-Collision Assist, Blind Spot Monitor, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Magnetic C20127A

Was $20,997 NOW $19,430

2017 FORD ESCAPE TITANIUM 4X4

2.0 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Silver Aluminum Wheels, 22K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, SYNC 3, Memory Power Leather Heated Seating, Auto Climate Control, Blind Spot Monitor, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Platinum U20139

Was $23,997 NOW $22,851

2016 FORD F-150 XLT REGULAR CAB

3.5 V6 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, Only 25K Miles, Security Cover, Bed Liner, Running Boards, SYNC, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Race Red U20167

NOW $27,982

2017 FORD ESCAPE SE 4X4

1.5 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Silver Painted Aluminum Wheels, 29K Miles, Power Driver's Seat, Auto Climate Control, SYNC 3, Blind Spot Information System Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Black Shadow U20117

WAS $18,899 NOW $17,990

2017 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE LIMITED 4X4

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 8 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 25K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Memory Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Touchscreen Display, Integrated Voice Command, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Jeep Certified! Granite C20232A

Was $30,816 NOW $29,987

2017 CHRYSLER PACIFICA TOURING-L PLUS

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 9 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 51K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, 2nd Row Heated Seats, Power Slide Side Doors, Power Lift Gate, Blind Spot and Cross Path Detection, Reverse Park Assist, Rear View Camera, DVD Entertainment Center, Remote Keyless Entry System, Chrysler Certified! Tusk White C20212A

Was $26,811 NOW $24,984

2017 RAM 1500 ST BIG HORN CREW CAB 4X4

5.7 V8 HEMI EFI Engine, 8 Speed Automatic, Black Aluminum Wheels, 56K Miles, Bed Liner, Running Boards, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Driver's Seat, Power Adjust Pedals, Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Front-Reverse Park Assist, Rear View Camera, Trailer Tow Package, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Ignition Orange C20214A

Was $33,319 NOW $31,697

2018 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Silver Painted Aluminum Wheels, Only 15K Miles! Remote Start, SYNC, Power Driver's Seat, Auto Climate Control, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Blue Metallic F20307A

Was $26,769 NOW $25,499

2017 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Silver Painter Aluminum Wheels, 45K Miles, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Climate Control, CD-Player, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Gold U20136

Was $23,921 NOW $21,928

2017 FORD EXPLORER XLT 4X4

3.5 V6 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Polished Aluminum Wheels, 28K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, SYNC 3, Power Leather Heated Seating, Heated Steering Wheel, Auto Climate Control, Blind Spot Monitor, Forward and Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Gold U20164

Was $31,334 NOW $30,994

2018 HONDA CR-V EXL AWD

1.5 EFI Engine, CVT Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 42K Miles, Remote Start, Memory Power Leather Heated Seating, Power Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, Lane Keeping Assist, Lane Departure Warning, Cross Traffic Alert, Blind Spot Monitor, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Balance of Factory Warranty! Crystal Black C20197A

Was $26,182 NOW $25,724

2017 FORD FUSION SE

1.5 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Painted Luster Nickel Wheels, 33K Miles, Remote Start, SYNC 3, Luxury Package, Leather Power Heated Front Seats, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Ingot Silver U20160

Was $17,917 NOW $17,476

2016 FORD FOCUS SEDAN SE

2.0 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 45K Miles, SYNC, CD-Player, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Magnetic U20157

Was $12,981 NOW $12,214

2018 FORD ESCAPE SE 4X4

1.5 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Sparkle Silver Painted Aluminum Wheels, 33K Miles, Power Driver's Seat, Heated Front Seats, Auto Climate Control, CD-Player, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Shadow Black U20118

Was $19,898 NOW $18,684

2018 CHEVY EQUINOX LT AWD

1.5 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 36K Miles, Remote Start, Power Driver's Seat, Heated Front Seats, Auto Climate Control, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Balance of Factory Warranty! White U20165

Was $21,851 NOW $20,939

2017 RAM 1500 SLT BIG HORN CREW CAB 4X4

5.7 V8 HEMI EFI Engine, 8 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Chrome Clad Wheels, 34K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Touchscreen Display, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ram Certified! Maximum Steel U20120

Was $32,107 NOW $31,499

2017 FORD EDGE TITANIUM

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 32K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, SYNC 3, Memory Power Leather Heated/AC Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, 2nd Row Heated Seats, Panoramic Moon Roof, Adaptive Cruise Control, Collision Warning, Blind Spot Monitor, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Burgundy Velvet U20151

Was $28,994 NOW $27,833

2017 FORD ESCAPE SE 4X4

1.5 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Sparkle Silver Painted Aluminum Wheels, 33K Miles, SYNC, Power Leather Driver's Seat, Auto Climate Control, CD-Player, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Platinum U20163

Was $19,996 NOW $19,440

2017 FORD ESCAPE TITANIUM 4X4

1.5 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Silver Painted Aluminum Wheels, 12K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, SYNC 3, Memory Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Panoramic Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, Blind Spot Monitor, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Ruby Red U20143

Was $23,928 NOW $23,330

2017 FORD FUSION V6 SPORT AWD

2.7 V6 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 31K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Sport Upgrade Package, Memory Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Aluminum Sport Pedals, Power Moon Roof, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Ruby Red C19274B

Was $23,675 NOW $22,972

2017 FORD ESCAPE TITANIUM 4X4

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Silver Painted Aluminum Wheels, 25K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Memory Power Leather Heated/AC Seating, Panoramic Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, SYNC 3, Blind Spot Information System, Reverse Sensing System, Park Assist System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Liftgate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Platinum U20141

Was $23,717 NOW $22,851

2015 FORD FUSION TITANIUM HYBRID

2.0 IVCT Hybrid, ECVT Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 66K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, SYNC, Memory Power Leather Heated/AC Front Seats, Power Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, Adaptive Cruise Control, Lane Keeping System, Blind Spot with Cross Traffic Alert, Park Assist, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Ruby Red F20318H

NOW $14,702

2019 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN SXT

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 42K Miles, Remote Start, CD-Player, Power Driver's Seat, Power Slide Side Doors, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Balance of Powertrain Factory Warranty! White Knuckle S20013

NOW $20,500

2017 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 33K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Blind Spot Monitor, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Platinum U20161

Was $26,757 NOW $25,216

2018 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE ALTITUDE 4X4

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 8 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 16K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Driver's Seats, Leather Suede Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Jeep Certified! Velvet Red C20242A

Was $33,229 NOW $32,501

2017 FORD F-150 XLT SUPERCREW 4X4

3.5 V6 Ecobgost EFI Engine, 10 Speed Automatic with Tow Mode, Aluminum Wheels, 35K Miles, Bed Liner, Running Boards, FX4 Off-Road Package, Remote Start, SYNC 3, Power Dprer's Seat, Dual Panel Moon Roof, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Trailer Tow Package, Pro Trailer Back-Up Assist, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Shadow Black U20158

NOW $39,595

2019 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN GT

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 46K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Seating, Heated Steering Wheel, Stow 'N Go Seats, Auto Climate Control, Power Slide Side Doors, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Granite S20012

NOW $20,995

2013 CHEVY SILVERADO 1500 LT Z-71 REGULAR CAB 4X4 W/PLOW

5.3 V8 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 124K Miles, Bed Liner, Running Boards, Power Driver's Seat, Auto Temp Control, CD-Player, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Silver C20229A

Was $19,949 NOW $18,994

2017 FORD ESCAPE TITANIUM 4X4

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Silver Painted Aluminum Wheels, 36K Miles, Remote Start, SYNC Connect, Memory Power Leather Heated Seating, Auto Climate Control, Blind Spot Information System, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Magnetic U20140

Was $22,858 NOW $21,933

2018 FORD ESCAPE SE 4X4

1.5 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 30K Miles, Remote Start, Sport Appearance Package, Power Driver's Seat, Heated Front Seats, SYNC 3, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Shadow Black U20155

Was $21,719 NOW $20,810

2016 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Polished Aluminum Wheels, 30K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Panoramic Moon Roof, Blind Spot Monitor, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Platinum U20150

Was $24,957 NOW $24,200

2017 JEEP COMPASS LIMITED 4X4

2.4 EFI Engine, 9 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 33K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Power Moon Roof, Touchscreen Display, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Trailer Tow Group, Remote Keyless Entry System, Jeep Certified! Redline U20162

Was $24,970 NOW $23,997

2018 JEEP COMPASS LIMITED 4X4

2.4 EFI Engine, 9 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 23K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Panoramic Moon Roof, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Jeep Certified! Diamond Black U20154

Was $23,870 NOW $23,321

2010 NISSAN 370Z TOURING COUPE

3.7 EFI Engine, Automatic Transmission, Aluminum Wheels, 45K Miles, Power Leather Seats, CD-Player, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Black F19450B

Was $17,366 NOW $16,547

2018 HYUNDAI SANTA FE SPORT AWD

2.4 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 23K Miles, Power Driver's Seat, Cloth and Leather Heated Front Seats, CD-Player, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Balance of Factory Warranty! Platinum Graphite F20289A

Was $21,994 NOW $21,558

2017 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Painted Aluminum Wheels, 42K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Seating, Heated Steering Wheel, Power Fold Rear Seats, CD-Player, Blind Spot Monitor, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Ruby Red U20133

Was $25,049 NOW $24,502

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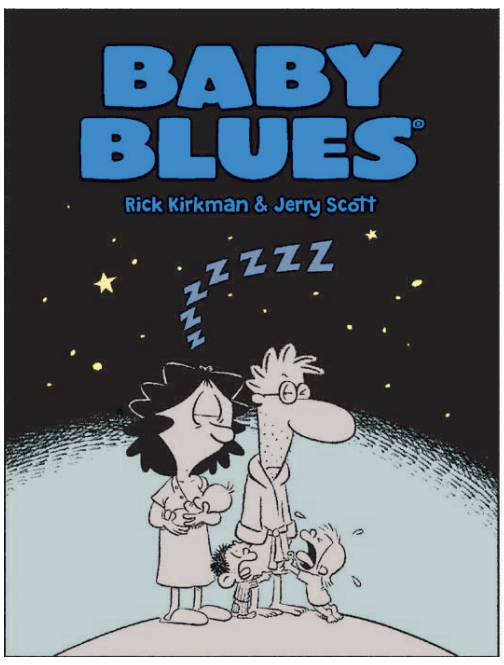

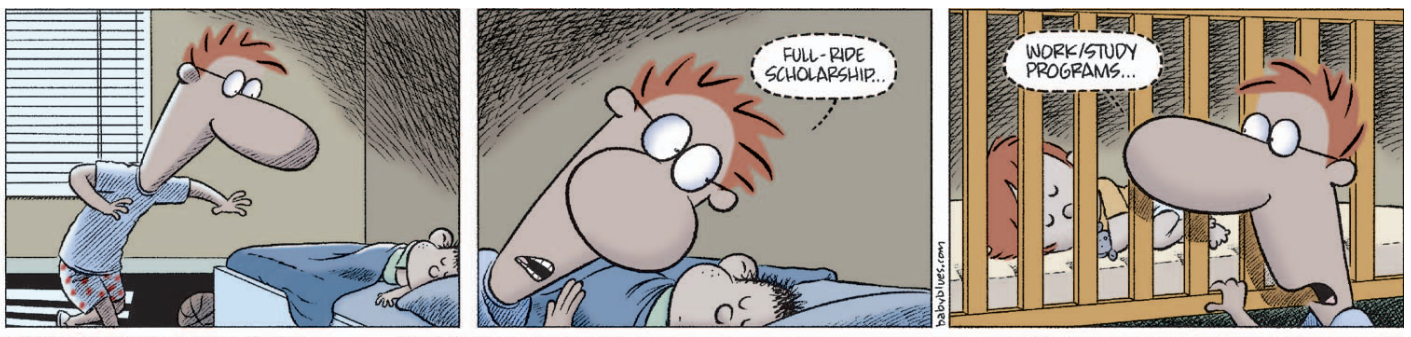

Garfield

FIVE SECONDS...
OOO! OOO! I KNOW THAT ONE!
TIME'S UP! I'M SORRY...
THE CORRECT ANSWER WAS "HITTING YOUR THUMB WITH A HAMMER"
DARN!
I WAS GOING TO SAY THAT!
JIM DAVIS 9-15

DILBERT

by SCOTT ADAMS

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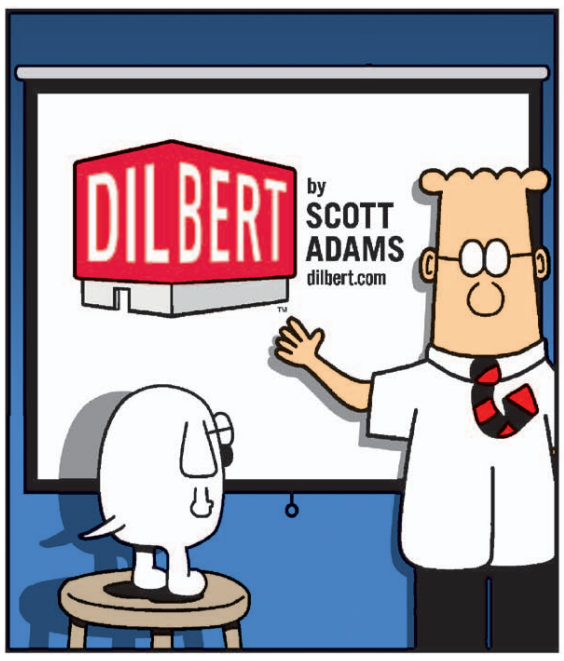

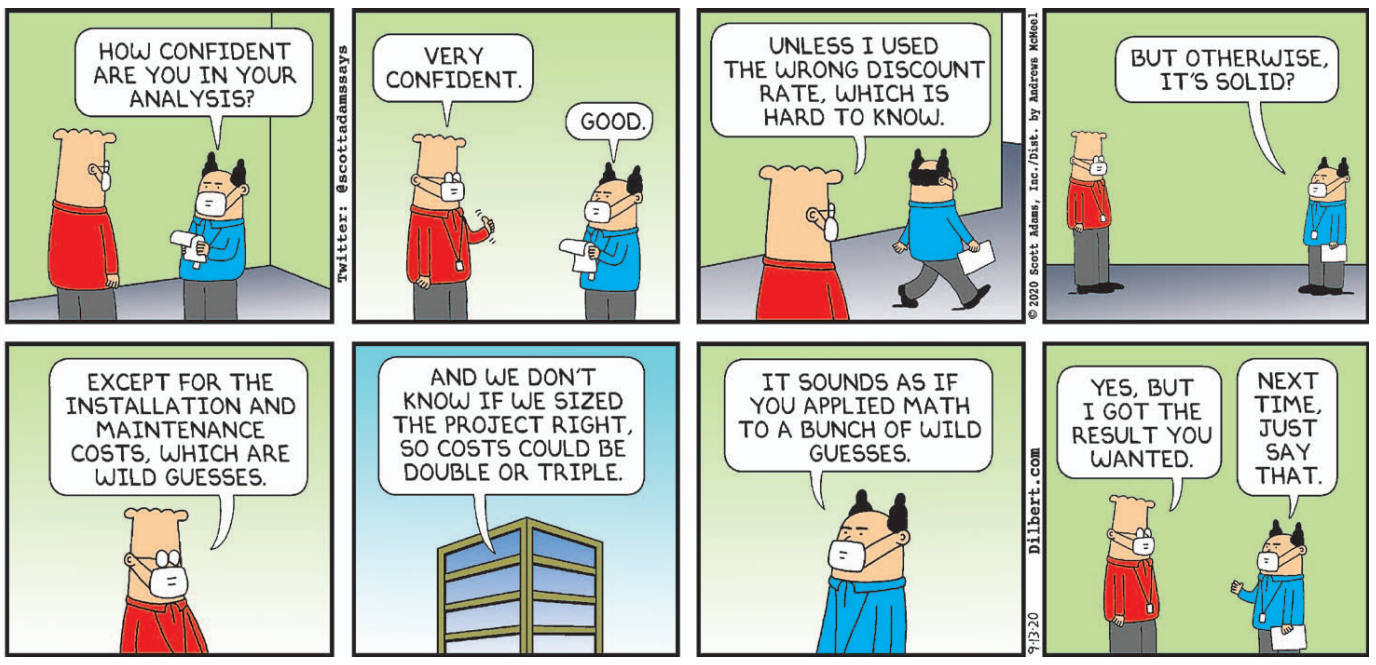
HOW CONFIDENT ARE YOU IN YOUR ANALYSIS?
VERY CONFIDENT.
GOOD.
UNLESS I USED THE WRONG DISCOUNT RATE, WHICH IS HARD TO KNOW.
BUT OTHERWISE, IT'S SOLID?
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EXCEPT FOR THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE COSTS, WHICH ARE WILD GUESSES.
AND WE DON'T KNOW IF WE SIZED THE PROJECT RIGHT, SO COSTS COULD BE DOUBLE OR TRIPLE.
IT SOUNDS AS IF YOU APPLIED MATH TO A BUNCH OF WILD GUESSES.
YES, BUT I GOT THE RESULT YOU WANTED.
NEXT TIME, JUST SAY THAT.
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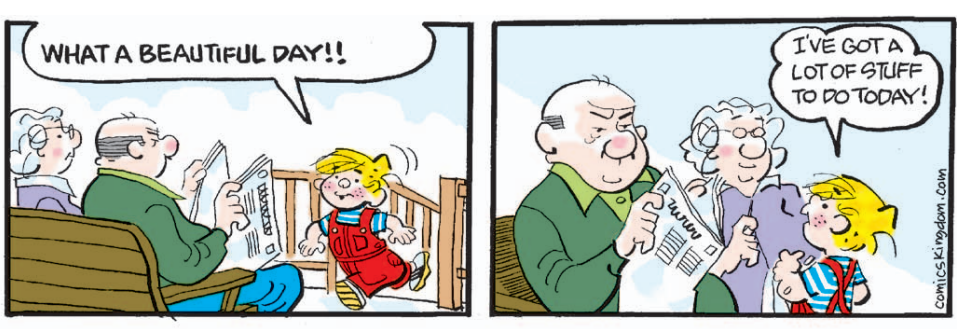

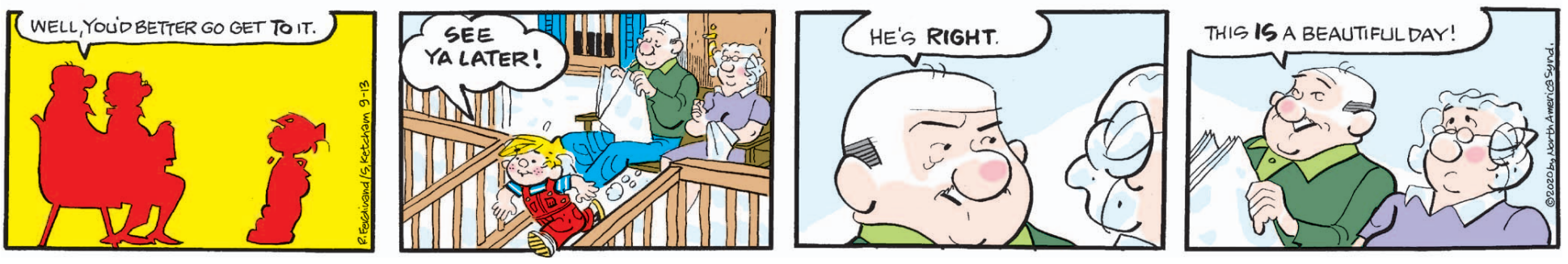
WELL, YOU'D BETTER GO GET TO IT.
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SEE YA LATER!
HE'S RIGHT.
THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL DAY!
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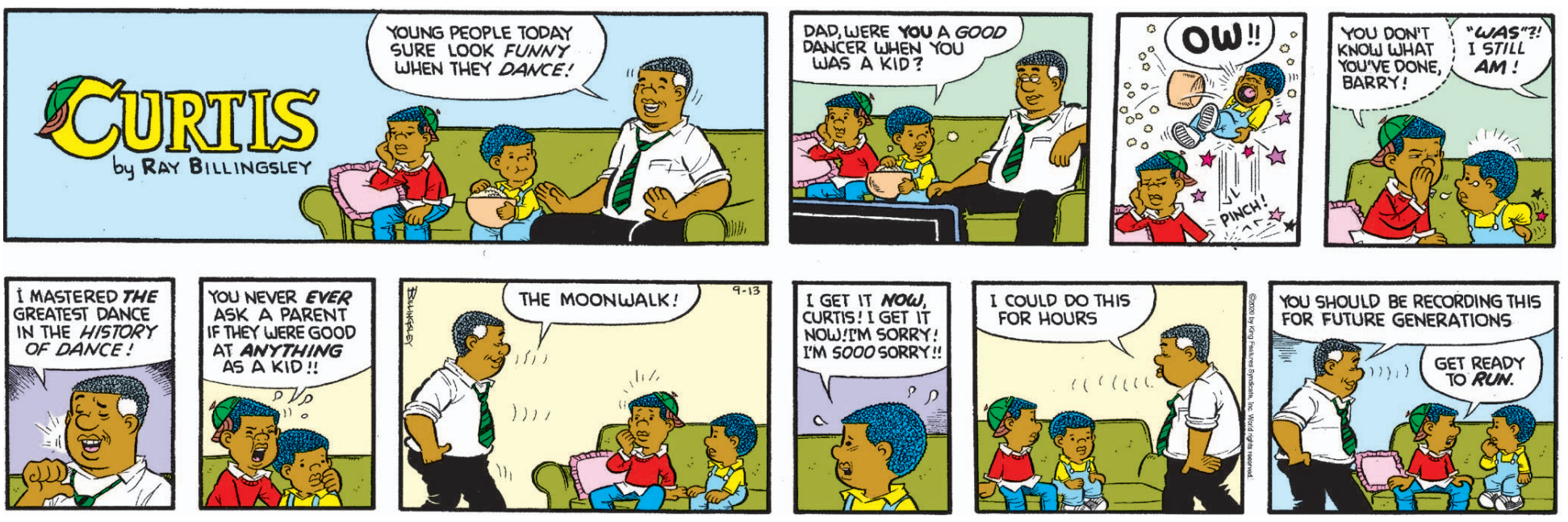
CURTIS

by RAY BILLINGSLEY


YOUNG PEOPLE TODAY SURE LOOK FUNNY WHEN THEY DANCE!
DAD, WERE YOU A GOOD DANCER WHEN YOU WAS A KID?
OW!!
PINCH!
YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'VE DONE, BARRY!
"WAS"?! I STILL AM!
I MASTERED THE GREATEST DANCE IN THE HISTORY OF DANCE!
YOU NEVER EVER ASK A PARENT IF THEY WERE GOOD AT ANYTHING AS A KID!!
THE MOONWALK!
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I GET IT NOW, CURTIS! I GET IT NOW! I'M SORRY! I'M SOOO SORRY!!
I COULD DO THIS FOR HOURS
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YOU SHOULD BE RECORDING THIS FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS
GET READY TO RUN.

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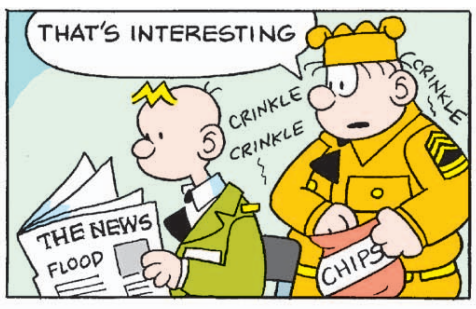

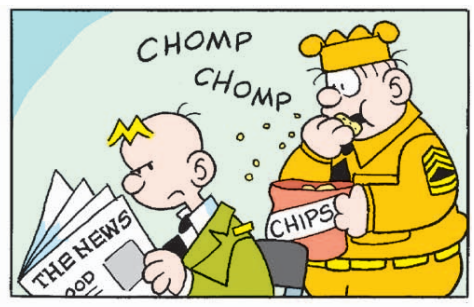

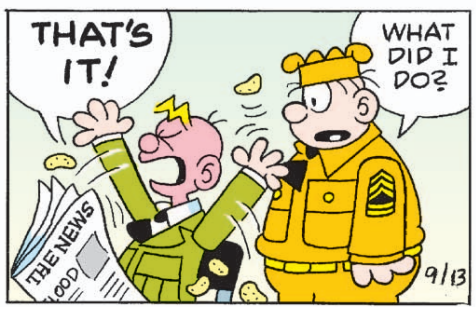

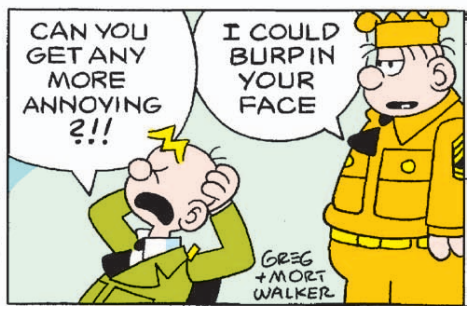

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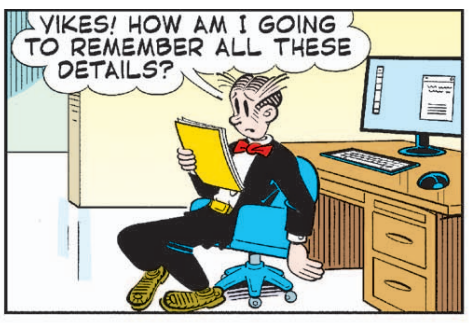
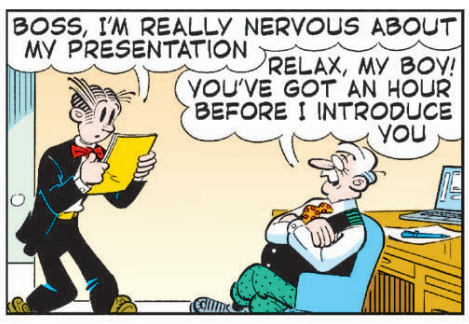
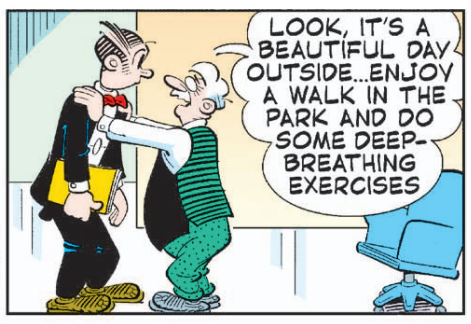
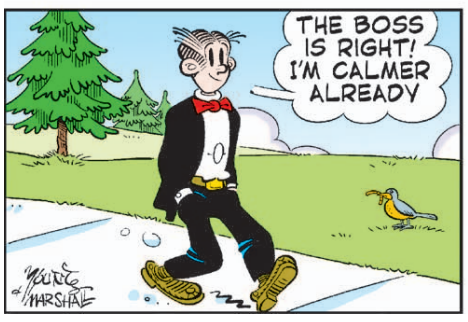
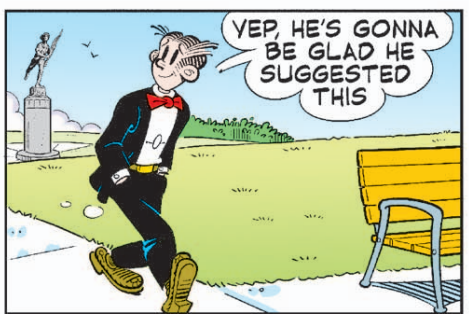
BY DEAN YOUNG & JOHN MARSHALL

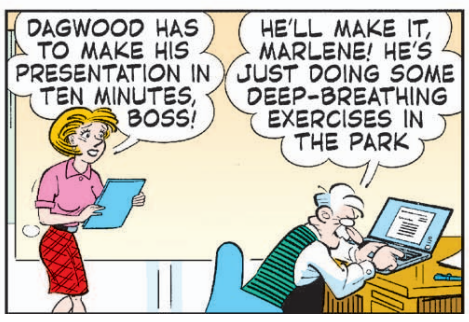











DAGWOOD HAS TO MAKE HIS PRESENTATION IN TEN MINUTES, BOSS!
HE'LL MAKE IT, MARLENE! HE'S JUST DOING SOME DEEP-BREATHING EXERCISES IN THE PARK
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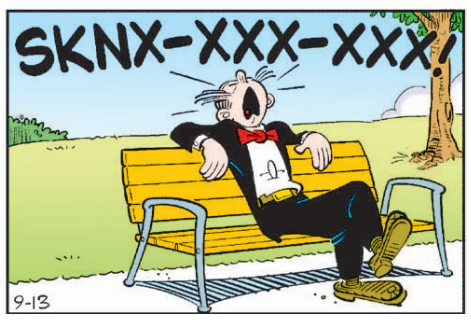

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Hi and Lois

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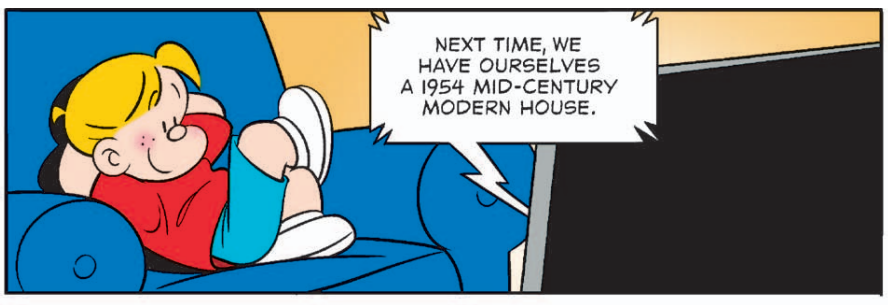

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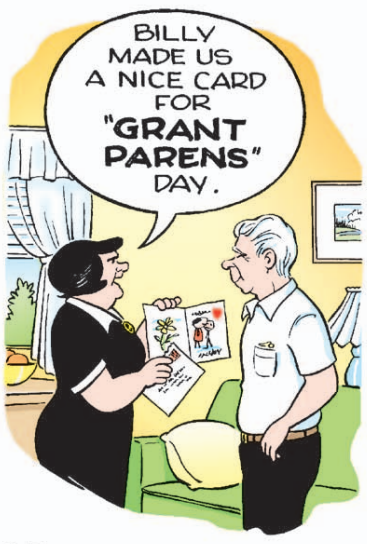

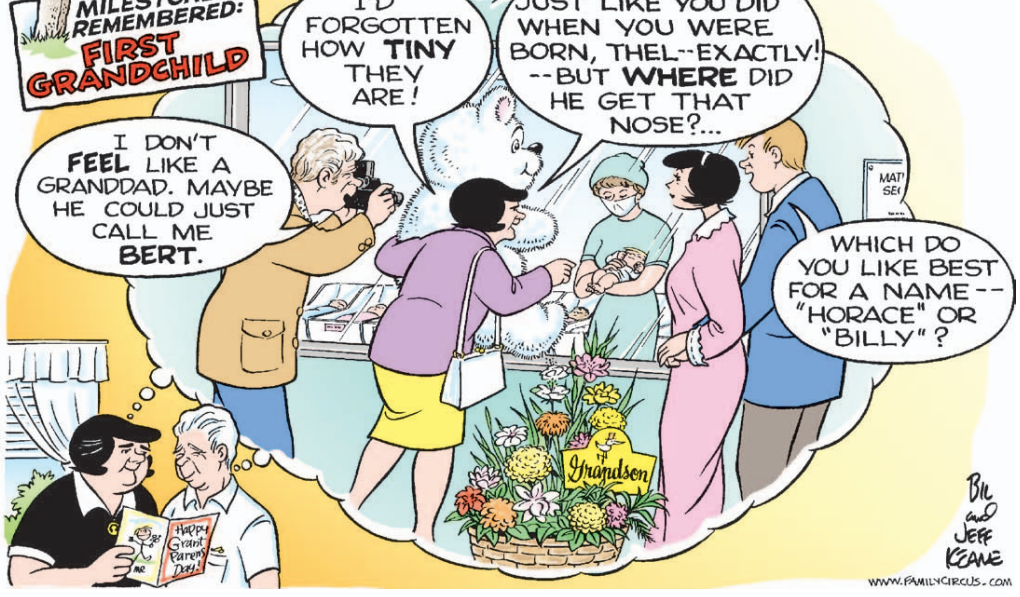
MILESTONES REMEMBERED: FIRST GRANDCHILD
I'D FORGOTTEN HOW TINY THEY ARE!
HE LOOKS JUST LIKE YOU DID WHEN YOU WERE BORN, THEL--EXACTLY! --BUT WHERE DID HE GET THAT NOSE?...
I DON'T FEEL LIKE A GRANDDAD. MAYBE HE COULD JUST CALL ME BERT.
WHICH DO YOU LIKE BEST FOR A NAME -- "HORACE" OR "BILLY"?
Grandson
Happy Grant Parents Day!
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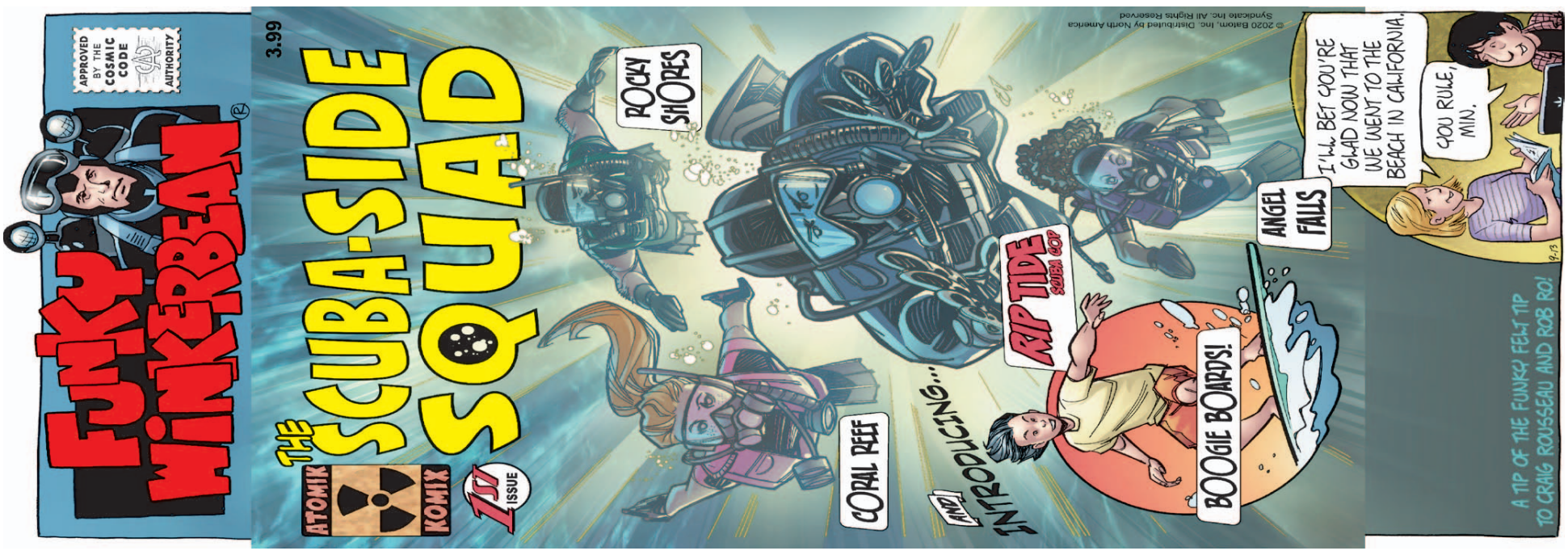
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I'LL BET YOU'RE GLAD NOW THAT WE WENT TO THE BEACH IN CALIFORNIA.
YOU RULE, MIN.
A TIP OF THE FUNKY FELT TIP TO CRAIG ROUSSEAU AND ROB RO!
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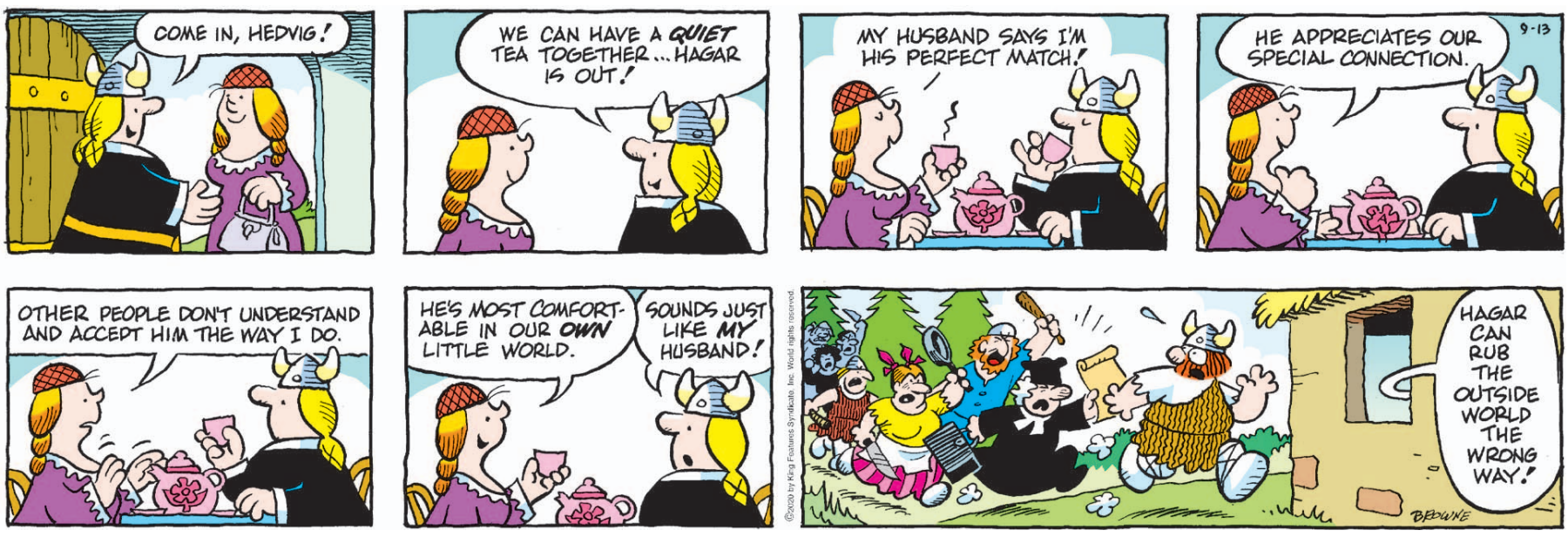
HAGAR the horrible

by DIK BROWNE


COME IN, HEDVIG!
WE CAN HAVE A QUIET TEA TOGETHER... HAGAR IS OUT!
MY HUSBAND SAYS I'M HIS PERFECT MATCH!
HE APPRECIATES OUR SPECIAL CONNECTION.
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OTHER PEOPLE DON'T UNDERSTAND AND ACCEPT HIM THE WAY I DO.
HE'S MOST COMFORTABLE IN OUR OWN LITTLE WORLD.
SOUNDS JUST LIKE MY HUSBAND!
HAGAR CAN RUB THE OUTSIDE WORLD THE WRONG WAY!
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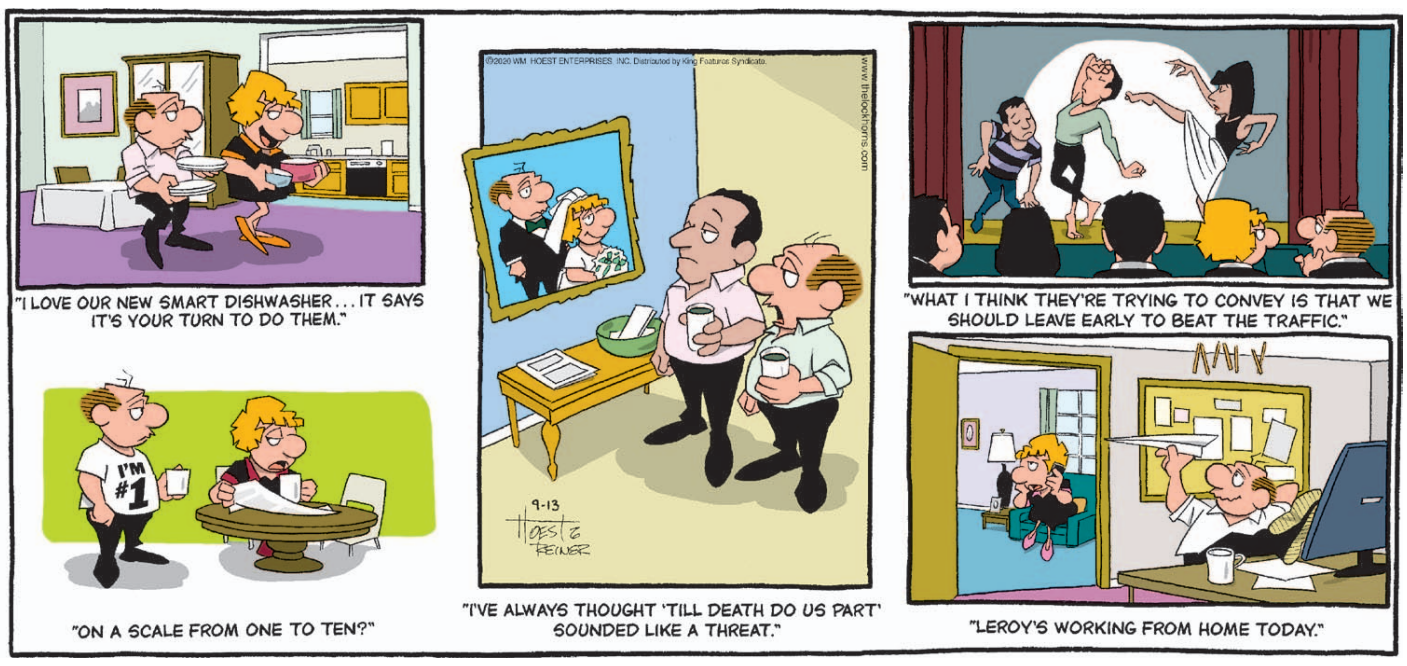
THE LOCKHORNS

BY BUNNY HOEST AND JOHN REINER


"I LOVE OUR NEW SMART DISHWASHER... IT SAYS IT'S YOUR TURN TO DO THEM."
I'M #1
"ON A SCALE FROM ONE TO TEN?"
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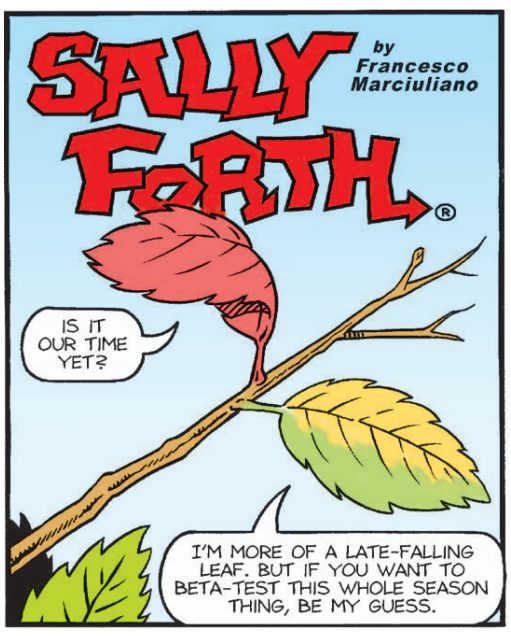
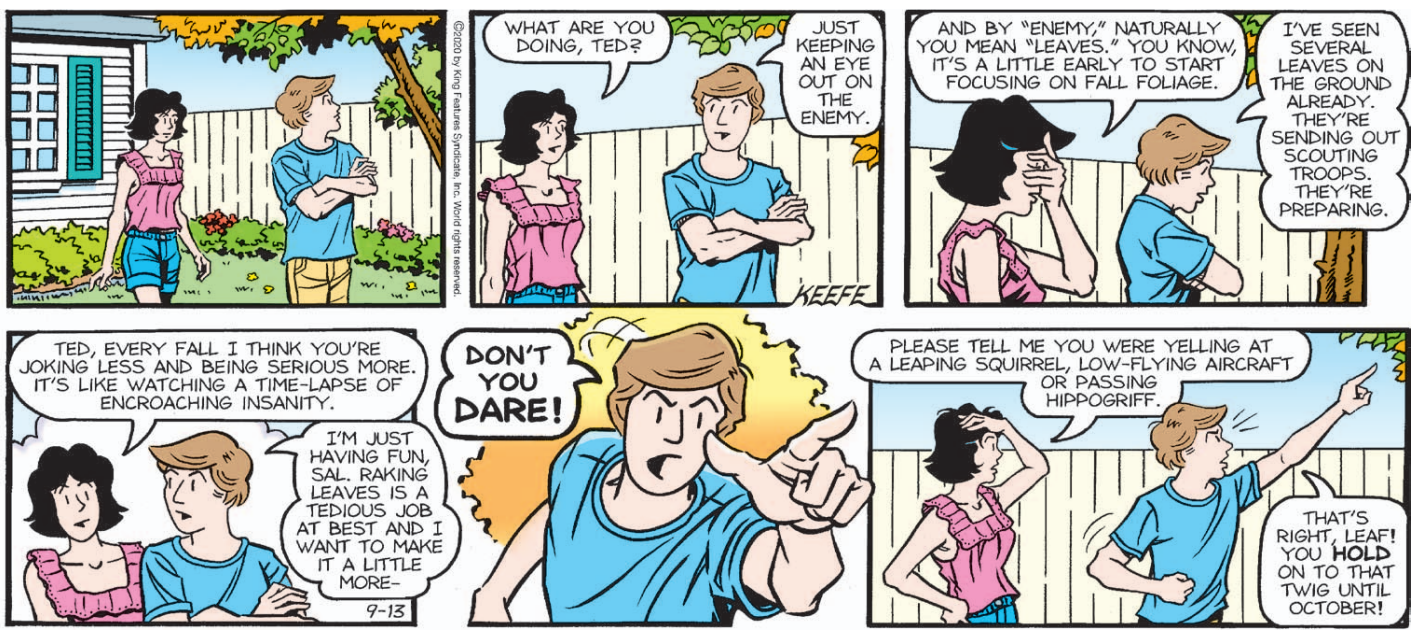
HOEST & REINER
"I'VE ALWAYS THOUGHT 'TILL DEATH DO US PART' SOUNDED LIKE A THREAT."
"WHAT I THINK THEY'RE TRYING TO CONVEY IS THAT WE SHOULD LEAVE EARLY TO BEAT THE TRAFFIC."
"LEROY'S WORKING FROM HOME TODAY."

SALLY FORTH®

by Francesco Marciuliano

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING, TED?
JUST KEEPING AN EYE OUT ON THE ENEMY.
KEEFE
AND BY "ENEMY," NATURALLY YOU MEAN "LEAVES." YOU KNOW, IT'S A LITTLE EARLY TO START FOCUSING ON FALL FOLIAGE.
I'VE SEEN SEVERAL LEAVES ON THE GROUND ALREADY. THEY'RE SENDING OUT SCOUTING TROOPS. THEY'RE PREPARING.
TED, EVERY FALL I THINK YOU'RE JOKING LESS AND BEING SERIOUS MORE. IT'S LIKE WATCHING A TIME-LAPSE OF ENCROACHING INSANITY.
I'M JUST HAVING FUN, SAL. RAKING LEAVES IS A TEDIOUS JOB AT BEST AND I WANT TO MAKE IT A LITTLE MORE-
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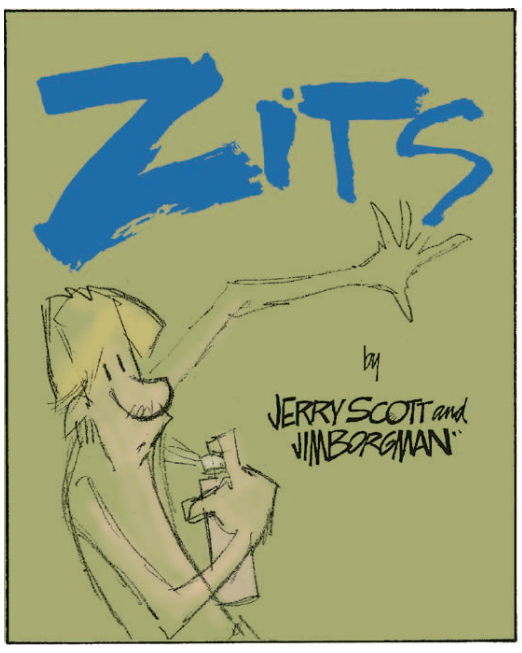
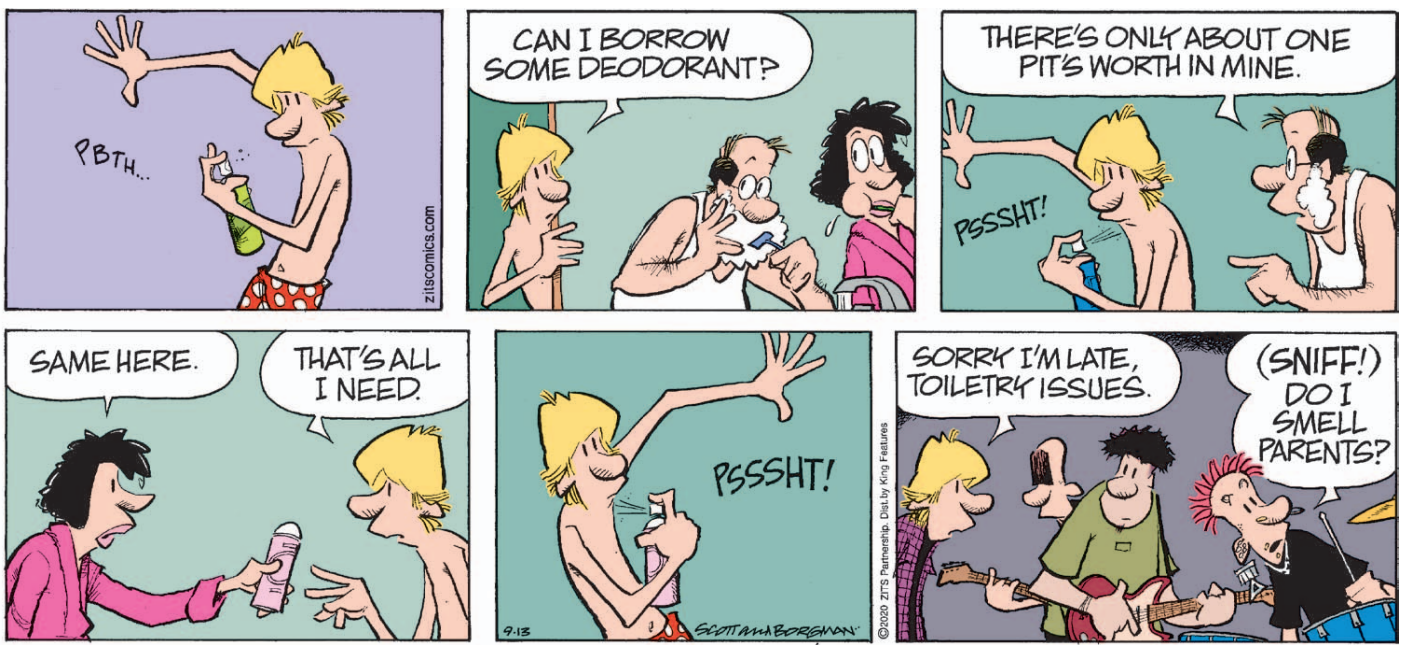
DON'T YOU DARE!
PLEASE TELL ME YOU WERE YELLING AT A LEAPING SQUIRREL, LOW-FLYING AIRCRAFT OR PASSING HIPPOGRIFF.
THAT'S RIGHT, LEAF! YOU HOLD ON TO THAT TWIG UNTIL OCTOBER!

ZITS

by JERRY SCOTT and JIM BORGMAN





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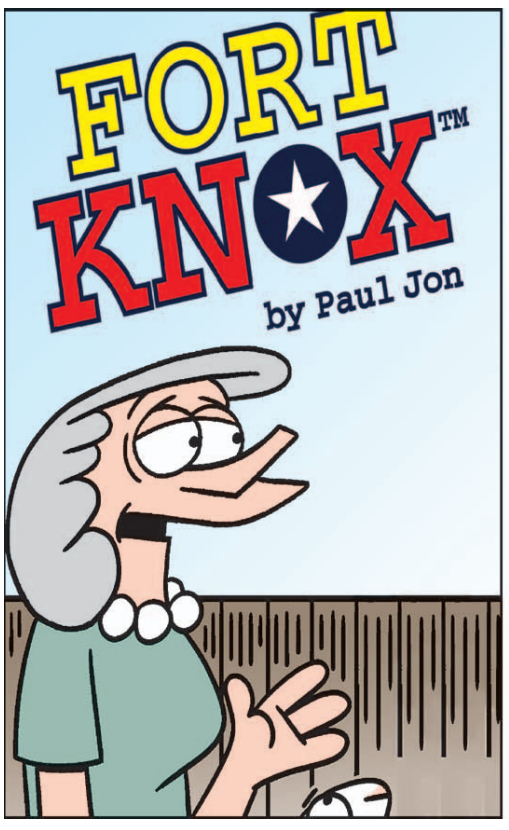

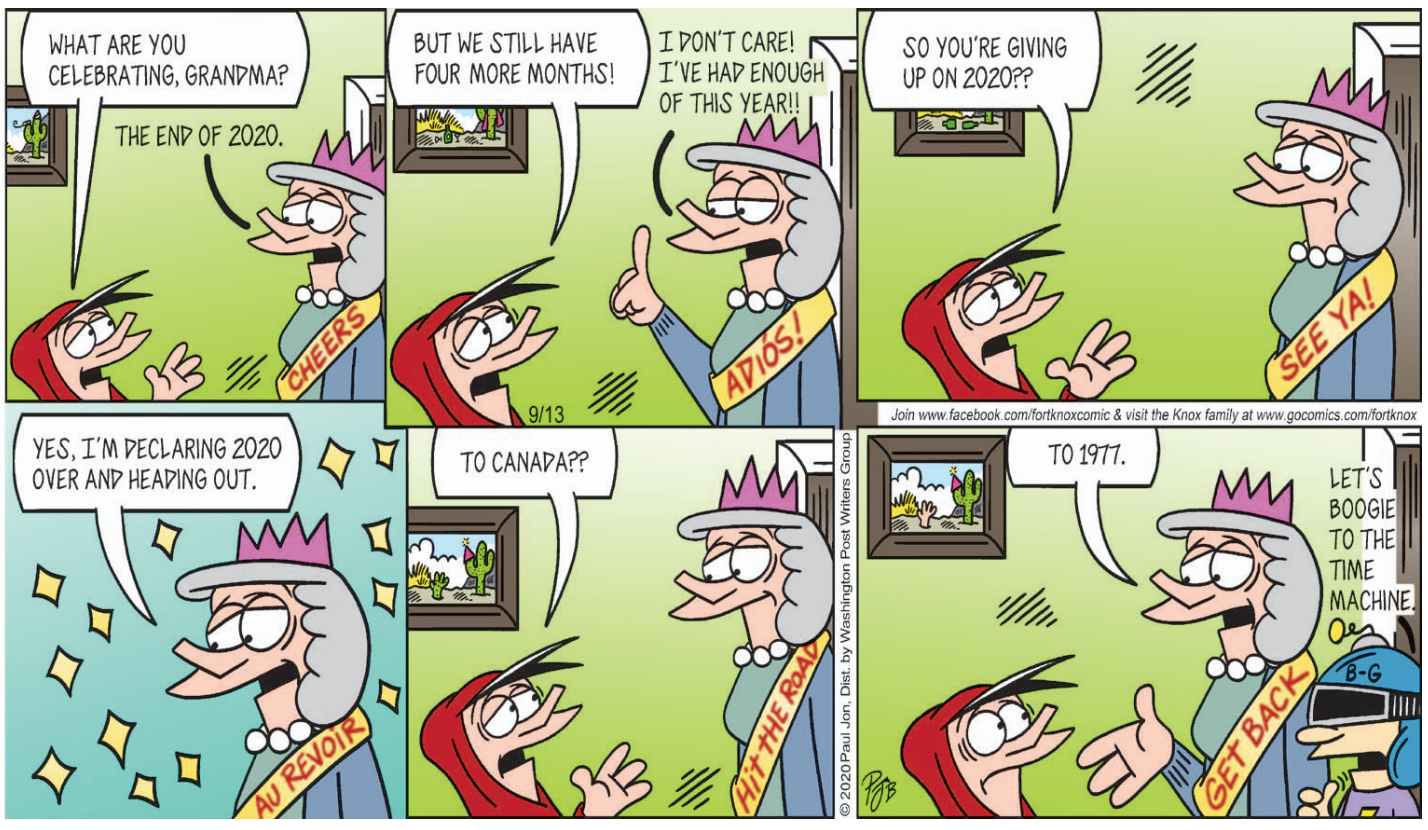
WHAT ARE YOU CELEBRATING, GRANDMA?
THE END OF 2020.
CHEERS
BUT WE STILL HAVE FOUR MORE MONTHS!
I DON'T CARE! I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF THIS YEAR!!
ADIOS!
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SO YOU'RE GIVING UP ON 2020??
SEE YA!
Join www.facebook.com/fortknoxcomic & visit the Knox family at www.gocomics.com/fortknox
YES, I'M DECLARING 2020 OVER AND HEADING OUT.
AU REVOIR
TO CANADA??
HIT THE ROAD
TO 1977.
LET'S BOOGIE TO THE TIME MACHINE.
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GET BACK
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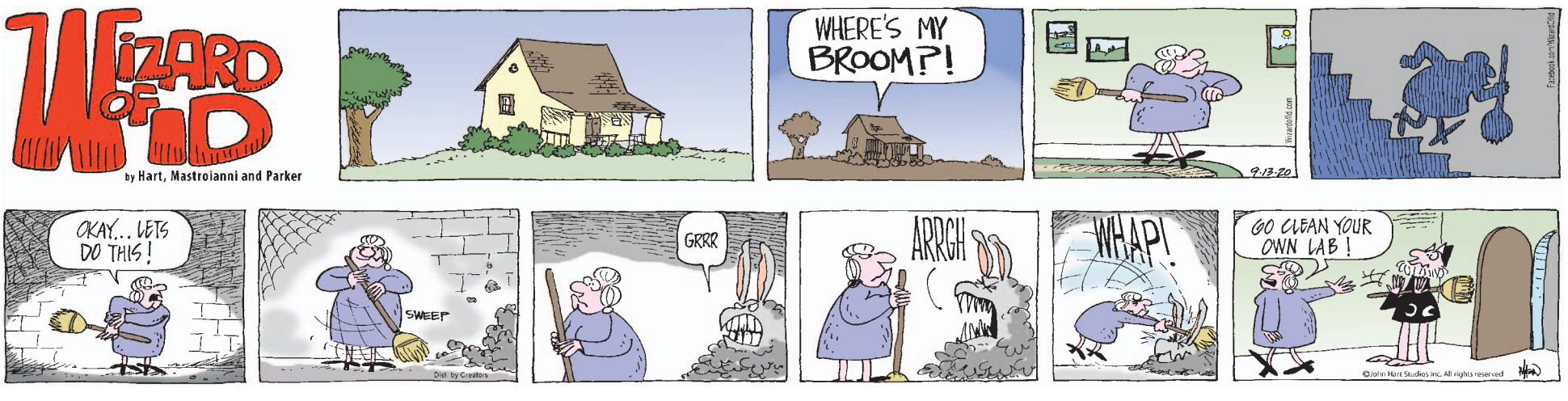
WIZARD OF ID

by Hart, Mastroianni and Parker



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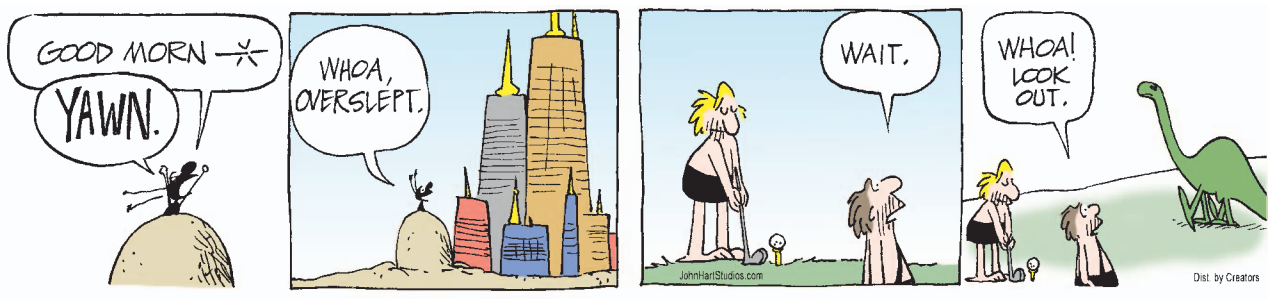

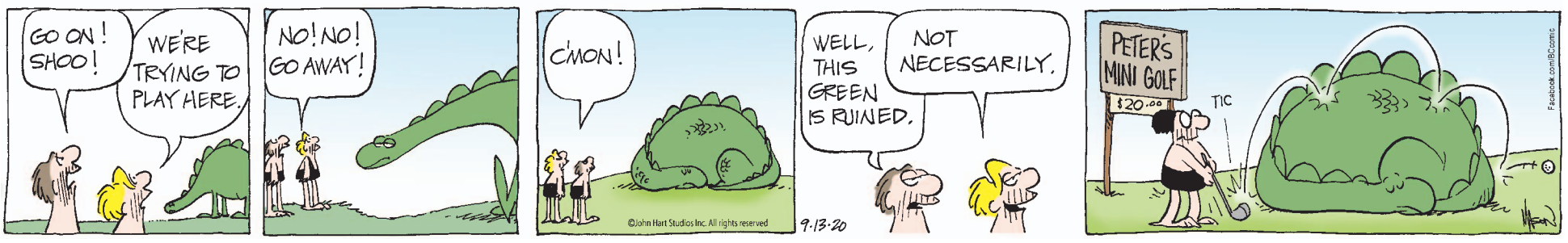

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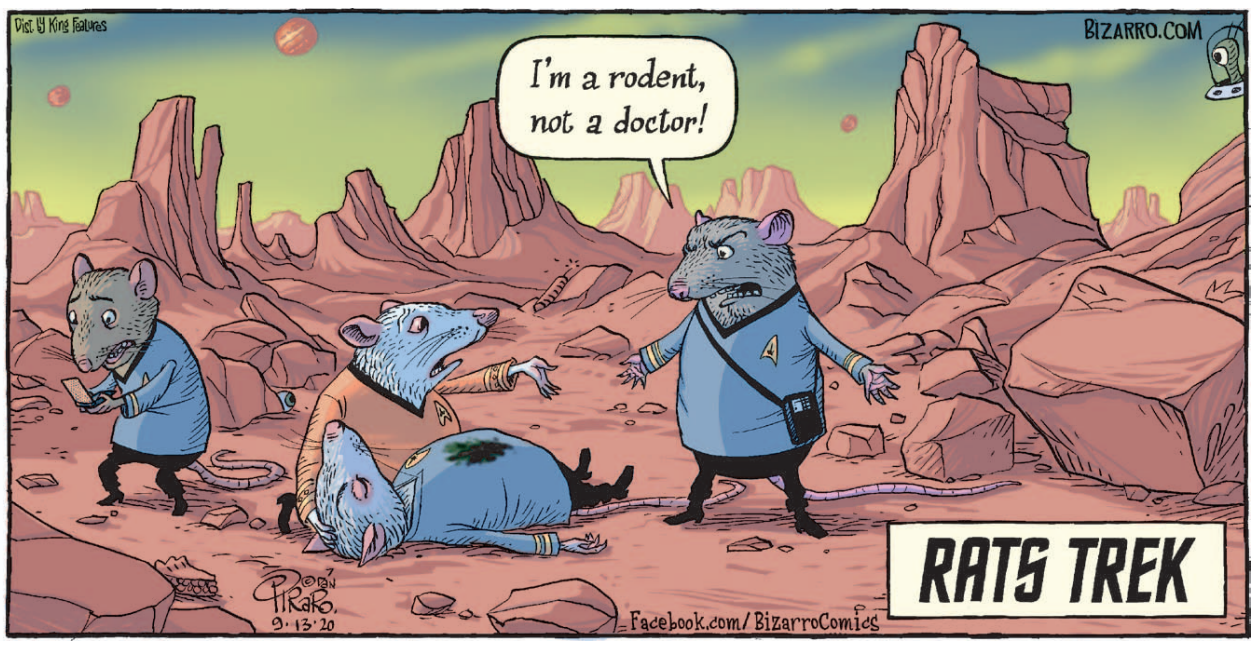

DUSTIN

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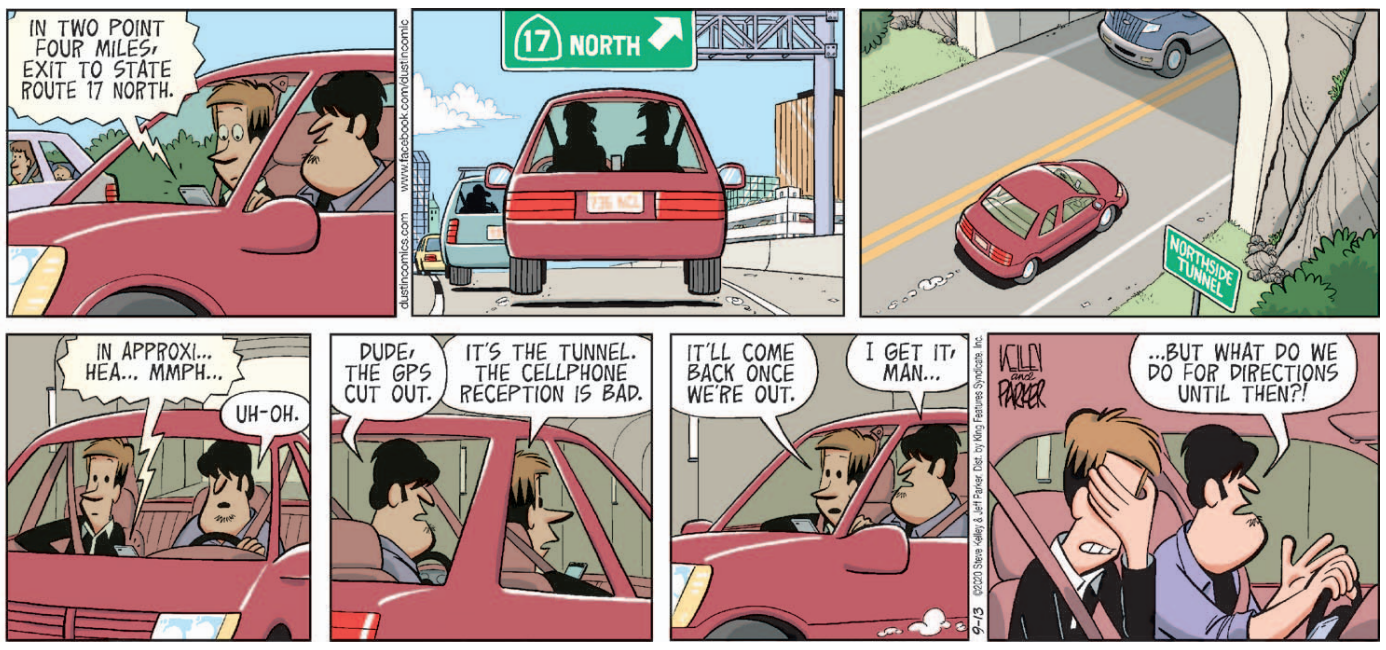
IN TWO POINT FOUR MILES, EXIT TO STATE ROUTE 17 NORTH.
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I GET IT, MAN...
KELLY and PARKER
...BUT WHAT DO WE DO FOR DIRECTIONS UNTIL THEN?!
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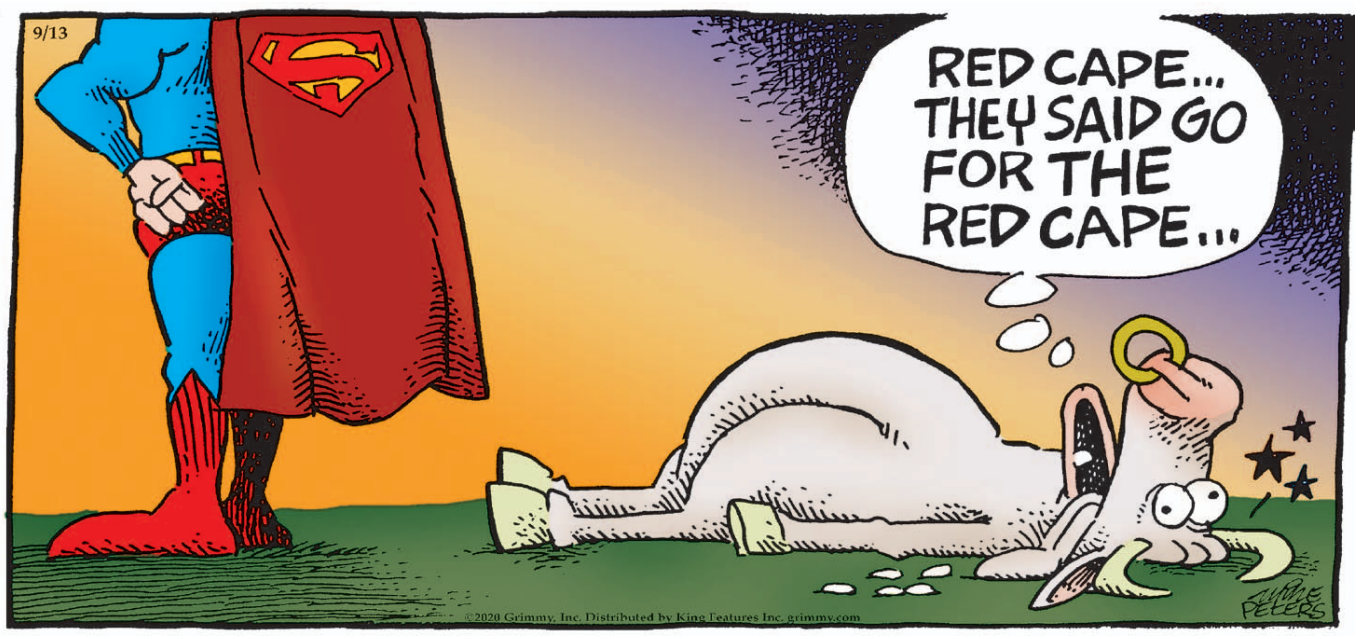
MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM



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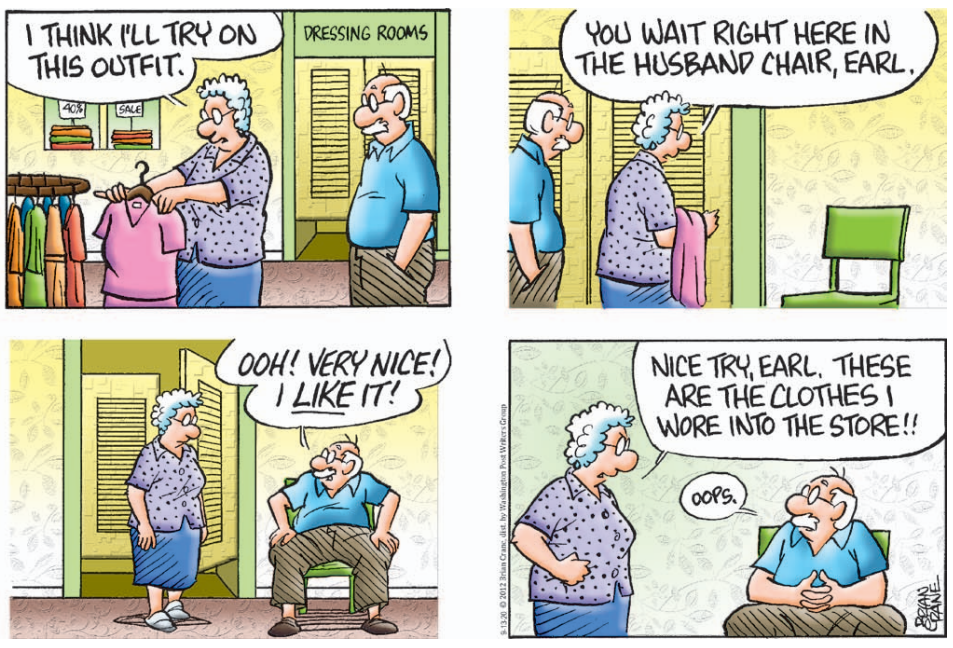
I THINK I'LL TRY ON THIS OUTFIT.
DRESSING ROOMS
40%
SALE
YOU WAIT RIGHT HERE IN THE HUSBAND CHAIR, EARL.
OOH! VERY NICE! I LIKE IT!
NICE TRY, EARL. THESE ARE THE CLOTHES I WORE INTO THE STORE!!
OOPS.
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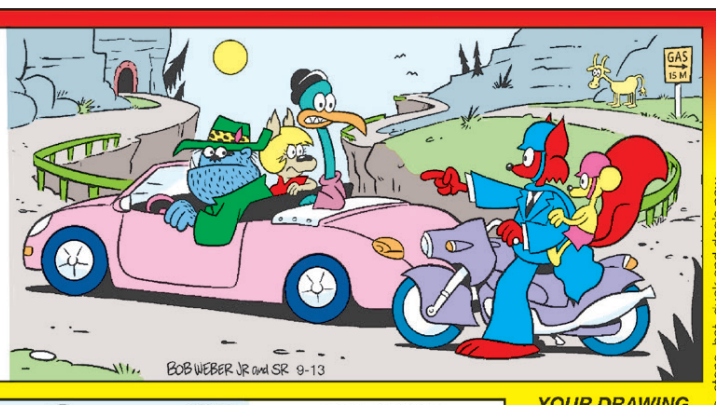
Bob Weber Jr.'s SLYLOCK FOX and COMICS FOR KIDS

A nearby gas station attendant says a thief fitting Harry Ape's appearance stole motor oil while stopped at the station. Harry insists he's innocent and claims he has been driving nonstop for the past three hours. Slylock didn't search the car, but a quick glance inside led him to believe Harry is lying. What did Slylock see?

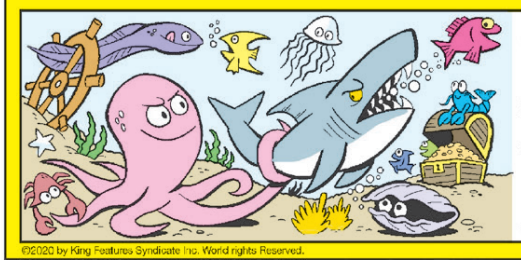
Solution -- The gas gauge shows nearly a full tank of fuel. If Harry had been driving nonstop for three hours, the fuel level would have been much lower.



True or False

1) Octopuses can change color to hide and match their surroundings.
2) Sharks have more bones than any other fish.
3) If a lobster loses a claw or leg, it is able to grow it back.

Answer -- 1) True. 2) False. Sharks do not have bones. They have cartilage skeletons. 3) True.



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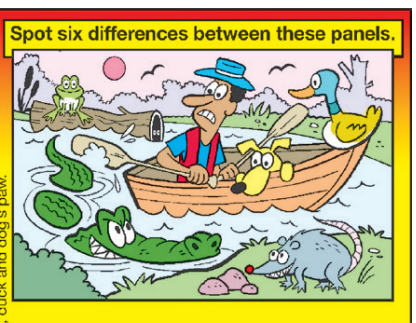
Spot six differences between these panels.



Answer -- Cattail, nostrils, stone, hat, duck and dog's paw.

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